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Br. Press Solution For Indian Deadlock

Call To Whitehall To Sack Leaguers From 'Interim' Govt.

DEMAND FOR FIXING OF DATE FOR "QUIT INDIA"

Only Way To Make Parties Shoulder Burden Of Responsibility

LONDON, February 7, (Reuter): The defiant resolution of the Muslim League Working Committee, passed at Karachi, calls for the plainest of answers from Whitehall says an editorial note in the current issue of the left wing weekly review "New Statesman and Nation."

"By this time the League was not content to reaffirm its boycott of the Assembly", the New Statesman says, "for it described it as an invalid and illegal body and called for its dissolution".

NEXT INEVITABLE STEP

"This is a concerted move to destroy the whole plan for realisation of India's independence, the next inevitable step is that League's members who are manifestly bent on sabotaging the plan should be asked to withdraw from the Viceroy's Council. Recent events have confirmed our opinion that the British Government should now announce its firm resolve to withdraw from India on a fixed date, some months ahead. The responsibility for reaching or refusing a settlement would then rest equally on the shoulders of the Indian parties."

The "Economist" writes: "The Punjab Government, politically undermined by the recent success of the Muslim League, appears to be wavering to and fro between conciliation and forcible suppression of Leaguers. It is unlikely that its action has been sufficient to clip the claws of the League's political strength, but it was certainly enough to eliminate whatever flavour of moderation might have been found in the resolution passed by the League's leadership in the session at Karachi".

CHANCE FOR PRINCES

The "Economist" adds: The conflict between the Congress and the Muslim League naturally strengthens the bargaining position of the Princes, who can use the rivalry of the two parties in order to extract better terms for themselves. On the other hand, the renewed refusal of the League to enter the Assembly and doubt about the competence of the Assembly to make an Indian constitution without Muslims are causing the Princes now to hold back from any commitments.

Both they and the Congress are now pressing for an unequivocal British statement on the rights of the Assembly. The British Government is being put in an increasingly difficult position so far it has apparently recognised the Constituent Assembly but has issued a warning that it will not impose on Muslim areas a constitution not endorsed by the Muslim League.

This is not ultimately a logical attitude.

If Government holds that the Assembly can only make a constitution for a certain part of India, it must clearly say so; if it holds that the Assembly has an All-India authority then it must face the problem of enforcement."

CHIANG'S TROOPS ADVANCE

NANKING, Feb. 7, (Reuter): Kuomintang (Government) troops have reached a point nine miles south of Linyi, Communist headquarters in the south of Shantung Province, according to Chinese press reports today.

About 200,000 Government troops under the personal direction of Gen. Chen Cheng, Chinese Chief of Staff, have been attacking the Linyi area in three columns.

C. N. A. C. AIR SERVICES TO RESUME

SHANGHAI, Feb. 7, (Reuter): The Chinese National Aviation Corporation expects to resume passenger services to Hongkong, Manila and Calcutta at the beginning of next week after the lifting of the Chinese Ministry of Communication's ban on international passenger services, it was learned today.

Only four-engined airliners will in future be used on these routes.

DUTCH DEMAND CEASE-FIRE FIRST

SINGAPORE, Feb. 7 (A.P.A.): Dr. P. R. Koets of the Netherlands East Indies Cabinet under Dr. H. J. Van Mook said in an interview today that the Dutch have no intention of signing the Cheribon Agreement until the Indonesians observe a cease-fire order throughout the Netherlands East Indies.
League.

SHINWELL SNUBS TORIES

LONDON, Feb. 7, (U.P.A.): Speaking on coal crisis Conservative Anthony Eden told the Commons today that Britain is confronted "with the greatest industrial crisis that has faced us in the last twenty years".

Fuel Minister Emmanuel Shinwell, answering the charges by Eden and Conservative William Prescott that the sole responsibility for the coal crisis rested with the Government, said:

"The spectacle of an effete electorally discorded Tory Party castigating the Labour Party was Tory brazen effrontery".

Shinwell said, 'We have had speeches on the opposite side from those who are gloating about our national embarrassments, who are delighted because of the turn of events, and who hope there will be a Government crisis or, at any rate, a mild coalition".

He said Conservative remarks had been the "most fantastic and grotesque allegations".

BEGUM NOON RELEASED

LAHORE, Feb. 7 (A.P.I.): Begum Feroz Khan Noon and ten other Muslim women who were arrested this afternoon in front of the Punjab Civil Secretariat for leading a procession in defiance of the Government ban were let off later.

The Lahore Butchers' Association, the Fruit Market Association, Lahore, and the Vegetable Market Association, Lahore have decided to suspend their business from Monday in sympathy with the Muslim League movement in the Punjab.

MADRAS, Feb. 7, (A. P. I.): Mr. V. Chakkarai Chetty, President of the Madras Provincial Trade Union Congress, in a statement today appeals to the workers in the Province to observe February 9 as a protest day by holding public meetings and demonstrations to proaest against the Madras Government's Public Safety Ordinance and the contemplated bill embodying the Ordinance.

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 7, (A. P. A.): Radioactive uranium has been found in the San Luis province of Argentina the Director of Mines reported officially today.

NATAL MOVE TO PLACATE INDIANS

Special Ordinance To Give Representation In Civic Affairs

DURBAN, Feb. 7, (APA): A special ordinance to provide for the representation of Indians in municipal affairs is to be introduced in the Natal (South Africa) Provincial Council on March 6.

This was announced by D. C. Mitchell, Natal Administrator, on his return from Capetown after talks with Field Marshal Jan Christian Smuts, the South African Prime Minister.

Mitchell said that Smuts declared in the course of the talks that Indian representation on municipalities was a matter for the Natal provincial and not the Central Government.

Smuts also expressed his wish that the question be dealt with before he returned to the United Nations towards the end of the year, Mitchell disclosed.

The Government of Bombay has appointed Mr. N. N. Satha as the Vice-Chairman and Mr. Balasaheb Bharade, as the member and non-official secretary of the District Rural Development Board, Ahmednagar.

Shri Jagjivan Ram, Labour Member, Govt. of India welcomed the I. L. O. Mission now in India in connection with the forthcoming Regional Asiatic Conference at a meeting at New Delhi on Feb 3.

181 Processionists Arrested In Lahore

C.D. In Punjab Continues: Press 'Communique' Denies 'Employment Of Troops'

LAHORE, Feb. 7, (A.P.I.):Mian Mohd. Sharif, a councillor of the Lahore Corporation and Honorary Magistrate, and 180 others, were arrested this evening near the General Post Office, on the charge of taking out a procession in defiance of the Punjab Public Safety Ordinance.

The procession which started from Mochi Gate swelled in number as it passed through the principal streets of the town. A large police force stopped the procession near the General Post Office and arrested the leader of the procession and 180 others. The procession then dispersed peacefully.

"NO TROOPS EMPLOYED IN LAHORE"

NEW DELHI Feb. 7. (A. P. I.): A press "communique" today denies reports that troops either British or Indian have been employed in any way in Lahore recently.

The "communique" says: Reports have appeared in a section of the press that British troops have been used to escort arrested students out of Lahore. These troops are further alleged to have lined them up as if to shoot them and one soldier is reported to have attacked them with a bayonet. The students are then alleged to have been flogged three times.

These reports are completely incorrect. No troops, British or Indian, have been employed in any way in Lahore recently.

MISLEADING

Other reports that British troops have been "called out" in Lahore, Amritsar and in Simla are misleading. In Simla, no troops have been used for any purpose, though in Lahore and Amritsar British troops were ordered to "stand by" in the respective Kotwalis for a short time, last week. They never left the Kotwalis in aid of the civil authorities.

It should be noted that in military parlance, the expression "called out" means the actual employment or troops in aid of the civil power. When troops are ordered to "stand by" they are kept in readiness for use, if necessary, by the civil power.

WHERE LEADERS ARE DETAINED

LAHORE, Feb. 7. (A.P.I.): The principal leaders of the Punjab Muslim League are detained in Kasur Dharmsala and Gujrat jails.

The report that they have been transferred to the Lahore Fort is not confirmed from authoritative sources.

Harni Tribe Gets Exemption

LAHORE, Feb. 7, (A.P.I.): Harni tribe, which has been a criminal tribe in the Punjab for the past 71 years, has been exempted from the operation of the Criminal Tribes Act by Lala Bhimsen Sachar, Finance Minister, Punjab.

This is the second tribe which has been exempted from the Criminal Tribes Act by the present Government.

ASAF ALI'S FAREWELL

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7 (API): Before his departure, Mr. Asaf Ali in a farewell message said:—

'I am leaving the country at a time when every moment is pregnant with events of vital importance to the life of my people. But the thought that I have been called upon to serve my country and the abiding interests of my people as a whole in one of the greatest of the freedom-loving countries of the world and that I have been charged with the responsibility of forging bonds of close and mutually beneficial friendship between India and the powerful republic of the U. S. A. will sustain me during my absence abroad.

"I fervently hope that no time will be lost in needless debates over political issues the final answer to which, from the standpoint of the masses, lies in determined constructive effort."

Karachi Greets Asafali

KARACHI, Feb. 7 (API): Mr. Asaf Ali, India's Ambassador in U.S.A., today arrived in Karachi from New Delhi on his way to London.

On his arrival at the airport, Mr. Asaf Ali was greeted by a large crowd and was received by the Mayor Mr. Visramdas Dewanmal, Dr. Choithram Gidwani, President of the Sind Provincial Congress Committee and Haji Moulabux, Nationalist Muslim Leader in Sind. Mr. Asaf Ali is spending the night at the airport and will leave for Cairo to-morrow. He will spend three days in Cairo and is expected to reach London on February 12. Before leaving for America, Mr. Asaf Ali said he would stay for four days in London.

Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali, who accompanied her husband upto Karachi, will return to New Delhi to-morrow.

Jinnah For Malaya ?

PENANG, (Reuter)) By Mail: Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, is being invited to preside over the Pan-Malayan Indian Muslim Conference to be held in Penang from Feb 14 to 16.

Mr. A. K. Cassim, Muslim representative on the Penang Settlement Advisory Council, is leaving for India to invite Mr. Jinnah and to make arrangements for his visit.

Mr. Cassim said that the conference will discuss details of a memorandum for presentation to the Government on all matters affecting Muslims and their interests and also how best Muslims could co-operate with other communities in Malaya.

Bhopal On "Princes' Stand For Indian Freedom"

"League Boycott Of Consembly Will Not Affect States"

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7 (API): The Negotiating Committee set up by the Princes and by the Constituent Assembly to discuss the terms of the States' participation in the Assembly and the ultimate position of the States in the future India Union will hold their first meeting tomorrow against a background which has been cleared of any uneasy feeling that a section of the Princes might raise questions about the Constituent Assembly's authority or representative character in the absence of League members.

It is gathered that the Chancellor of the Chamber of Princes, the Nawab of Bhopal will at tomorrow's meeting make it clear that Indian States stand by the freedom of India, that they only claim a rightful place in the greater India of the future and have no desire to adopt any partisan attitude or to intervene directly or indirectly in any controversy unrelated to the States.

A request to make a statement on these lines was conveyed to him at a meeting of the Standing Committee of the Princes Chamber held to-day to complete the briefing of the Negotiating Committee. Informal contacts with Congress leaders which preceded to-day's meeting are understood to have helped in bringing about a preliminary understanding on aspects of the problems awaiting discussion.

CHANCELLOR EXPLAINS

The Chancellor at to-day's meeting of the Standing Committee explained certain recommendations of the States' Constitutional Advisory Committee which had met earlier in the day. Points emphasised and accepted at the Standing Committee meeting are that the States Negotiating Committee is not free to depart from or to accept any compromise on any of the fundamental propositions laid down in the resolution adopted both by the Committee and the general conference of Rulers on January 29; that on these fundamental propositions, only the Chancellor or such others as he may invite, should speak; that other members of the States Negotiating Committee could ask exploratory questions or invite information after the fundamental propositions have been settled.

The Princes Standing Committee will meet again to-morrow to review the results of the Conference between the two Negotiating Committees.

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

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Lesson From Leaves

Gandhiji Interprets A Natural Phenomenon

DHARAMPUR (NOAKHALI), Feb. 7, (U. P. I.): After covering a distance of about two miles and a half Mahatma Gandhi arrived at the village of Dharampur, his 31st haltage yesterday.

On the way he halted for about ten minutes at the house of a Muslim, Mr. Ashgar Bhuiya, where he was given a warm reception and garlanded by Muslim villagers. The children of the house gathered round Gandhiji who patted them saying: "You are all my good friends". Gandhiji was also presented with a basketful of oranges which he distributed among the children.

Prior to his leaving the house Gandhiji was shown a peculiar branch of a tree which has got two kinds of leaves. "Is it not strange, Gandhiji", asked the host. Gandhiji with a laughter said: "There is nothing strange. It is all God's creation. These two different kinds of leaves of one and the same tree are like the Hindus and Muslims of the same soil. But see how these leaves are flourishing side by side in the same tree. They tell us that we should live as brothers in the same soil as these two leaves."

GANDHIJI AT PRASADPUR

PRASADPUR, Feb. 7 (API): Mahatma Gandhi arrived at Prasadpur, the third village on the second part of his walking tour, at 8-10 this morning. He is staying here in the house of Mr. Upendra Mazumdar.

DHARMAPUR (Noakhali), Feb. 6 (API): In his post-prayer speech today, Mahatma Gandhi advised pressmen all over India not to come to Noakhali and thereby save money, which they could contribute to the Noakhali Relief Fund or to the 'never-to-end' Harijan Fund.

Mahatma Gandhi said that of late there had been an 'invasion' of the area by pressmen from far and near. The pressmen, who accompanied him, Mahatma Gandhi said, were living in difficult conditions; they had to stay in huts the villagers were able to provide and they had no unlimited accommodation. He advised them not to venture out, but to be satisfied with the news that the few, who were accompanying him from the beginning, were able to provide.

Br. Govt.'s Statement On India Next Thursday?

Congress' Letter To Viceroy Forwarded To London

(From Our Correspondent)
NEW DELHI, February 7.

British Government's statement on India, according to lobbies will be made in British parliament next week, probably on Thursday.

The question, according to these reports, is being tabled and Government will take the opportunity to make a full statement indicating its attitude towards Congress demand referred by me yesterday.

Congress letter to Lord Wavell has been forwarded to London I learn:—

BILL TO SPEED UP APPEALS FROM INDIA

LONDON, Feb. 7, (Reuter): The hearing of legal appeals from India and the Dominions will be speeded up as a result of the Appellate Jurisdiction Bill which was given the second reading in the House of Commons today.

The Bill provides for the appointment of two additional Lords of Appeal in Ordinary.

Indian Embassy In Paris

(From Our Correspondent.)
NEW DELHI, Feb. 7.

Government of India has decided to establish Indian Embassy in Paris. I learn from lobbies.

France, it is learned, has agreed to raise her consulate to the status of Embassy in India.

Bengal's Plea For Military Training College

CALCUTTA, Feb. 7 (A.P.I): The desire of the Government of Bengal to establish a Military Training College in the Province and to create a Bengali Regiment had been communicated to the Government of India, said Bengal's Chief Minister, Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy, extending wholehearted support of his Government to a motion on the subject in the Bengal Council today.

ADMIRAL D' ARGENLIEU RECALLED

French High Commissioner In Indo-China

PARIS, Feb. 7, (Reuter): Admiral Thierry d'Argenlieu, French High Commissioner for Indo-China, has been recalled to Paris, the French Premier, M. Paul Ramadier, announced in a special "Communique" today, "To confer with the Government on the situation in Indo-China and the measures imposed".

The "Communique" added that the High Commissioner had communicated the date he intends returning, but the Government did not disclose the date.

A.P.A. adds: D'Argenlieu is arriving in Paris shortly and it is understood he will not return to Indo-China.

It may be recalled that the Indo-Chinese strongly objected to D'Argenlieu's measures designed to suppress the Indo-Chinese military struggle. There is growing to suppress the Indo-Chinese military struggle. There is growing speculation that D'Argenlieu's successor would take steps aimed at reaching a pacific settlement on the Indo-Chinese problem.

FRENCH CASUALTIES

HANOI, Feb 7, (Reuter): French forces in Indo-China have suffered 1,855 casualties—killed and wounded —since hostilities with Viet Namese Nationalists broke out on December 19, stated the French Command in a special "Communique" today.

STOP PRESS

700 SHIPS TIED UP IN BRITISH PORTS

LONDON, Feb. 7 (UU.P.A.): At least 700 ships are believed tied up or threatened with a tie-up under an order issued today prohibiting all overseas shipments of coal.

FRENCH REINFORCEMENTS FOR HANOI

HANOI, Feb. 7, (Reuter): French reinforcements arrived aboard the Liner "Ile de France" and paraded through the capital of Cochin-China.

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Dated this 8th day of February, 1947.

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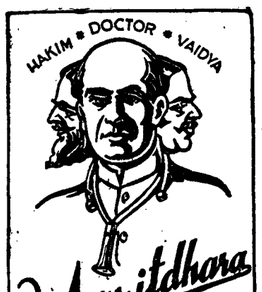

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Iftikhar Ahmed Heading For Triple Crown

BOMBAY, Friday.

The match that attracted the most attention during this evening was the tie between Mrs Sastri and Mrs. Singh in the semi-final of the ladies singles event. Although the match was being played on the third court, it did not fail to arouse the spectators' interest in the struggle which was keen throughout.

The winner deserved her laurels, exploiting the weakness of her opponent in refusing to come to the net, she made repeated excursions there herself and almost always with success. Mrs. Singh often shortened her length to induce her opponent in the position she tried hard to avoid —the net. Coupled with this was her own ability to volley with considerable dexterity. Mrs Sastri was often left at the wrong end of the court as the result of Mrs Singh's attacking with crisp volleys.

In another encounter which was decided in the third set, Narendra Nath, the holder accounted for the ambidexterous Owen after losing the first set rather tamely. The winner settled down in the second set and thereafter Owen did very little except keep the rallies going.

Both the semi-finals of the men's doubles provided excellent tennis. In the unfinished match all the four players concerned gave a pleasing exhibition of tennis. Balwant Saign in the first set in particular, served in an irresistible mood and Irshad Hussein who was receiving him in the fore-court often failed even to touch his first service.

Games went with service until the thirteenth when Iftikhar dropped and with Balwant Singh to serve next it looked almost as if the set was all but won by Balwant Singh and his partner. But the former unaccountably failed to drive home the advantage, and with it the set slipped away. Narayan Rao was easily the best volley-player seen this season and in certain respects almost excelled Jimmy Mehta.

In the other doubles match, after the princely alliance had bagged the first set, Myton and Bekkevold started attacking and the short inspiring spurt of the losers soon ran dry in the second. In the third after being three down the losers made a gallant but unavailing attempt to save the match.

In the other semi-final of women's singles Miss Woodbridge found her consistency in attacking her opponents back-hand too late to be of any use to her.

The results:—

MEN'S SINGLES

Quarter-finals: Iftikhar beat Bekkevold 6-1, 6-4, Prem Pandhi beat Balwant Singh 6-2, 9-7; Narendra Nath beat Owen 2-6, 6-2, 6-1; Kapinapathy W.O. Irshad Hussein.

MEN'S DOUBLES

Semi-finals:— Bekkevold and Mytton beat Rasik Kumar of Wankaner and Fatehsinhji of Cutch 2-6, 6-3, 6-4. Irshad Hussein and Iftikhar Ahmed vs. Balwant Singh and Narayan Rao 9-7, 6-4 (unfinished).

WOMEN'S SINGLES

Semi-finals:— Mrs. Singh beat Mrs. Sastri 6-3, 2-6, 6-3; Mrs. Dayal beat Miss Woodbridge 6-0, 7-5.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES

Semi-finals:— Miss Merchant and Mrs. Sastri beat Miss Roberts and Miss Fonseca 6-0, 6-4.

MIXED DOUBLES

Semi-finals: Miss Woodbridge and Irshad Hussein beat Miss Roberts and Gunasekara 6-0, 6-4.

Mrs. Singh and Kantawala beat Mrs. Bishop and Balwant Singh 6-2, 6-4.

Saturday's matches:—

MEN'S SINGLES SEMI-FINALS

Cout No. 2 3-45 p.m. Iftikhar Ahmed vs. Prem Pandhi, 4-30 Junior Singles Final: A. T. Japanwalla vs. J. K. Umrigar, 5-15 Men's Doubles Final: Iftikar Ahmed and Irshad or Balwant Singh and Narayan Rao vs. P. Bekkevold and G. L. Mytton.

MEN'S SINGLES SEMI-FINALS

No 3. 3-45 p.m. Narendra Nath vs. B. R. Kapinapathy, 4-30 Women's Doubles Final: Miss Woodbridge and Mrs. Singh or Mrs. Captain and Miss Chinoy vs. Miss Merchant and Mrs. Sastri.

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Selections For Today's Races

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Outstanding Chances For Lord Wavell And Push On

(BY OUR BACING CORRESPONDENT)

The Blue Riband of the Indian Turf, the Derby to be run over a distance of 1-1/2 miles tomorrow is at the mercy of the wonder filly, Her Majesty.

The consistent Push On possesses outstanding chance in the Maharaja of Kashmir's gold cup while the Gwalior-owned Royal Jester, comfortable winner of the Eve Champion Cup run over 1-1/4 miles a fortnight back is considered his serious opponent.

Lord Wavell, unlucky loser of the Arab Champion Cup is competing with an excellent chance in the Arab Derby.

The following are my selections:—

1st race:— 1 Banshee, 2 Vikram Aditya, 3 Pearl Mahal.

2nd race: 1 Philborough, 2 Flower of Lashkar, 3 Royal Mantle.

3rd race: 1 D. Day, 2 Ashok Kumar, 3 Element.

4th race:— 1 Lord Wavell, 2 Boonlan, 3 Scarlet.

5th race: 1 Her Majesty, 2 Bucephalus, 3 Jawahir.

6th race: 1 Golden Future, 2 Turf Star, 3 Miss Gwalior.

7th race: 1 Push On, 2 Royal Jester 3 Pillar to Post

8th race: 1 Rajput Warrior, 2 Quality, 3 Torrin.

9th race: 1 Phillta, 2 Firefly, 3 Artistic.

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U. P. A. Cricket Shield Tournament For Parsi Colonies

All the first round matches in the United Parsi Association's Cricket Shield Tournament for Parsi Colonies are complete. The following are the results:

Nowroze Baug Sports Club beat Dadar Parsi Colony Gymkhana by 113 runs. Nowroze Baug 127 (N.B. Mistry 26) and 90 (J. Cooper 38) Dadar Parsi Colony Gym. 49 and 55.

Rustom Baug S. C. "A" Team beat Cusrow Baug United Sports and Welfare League "B" Team by 100 runs on the first innings. The latter scored 99 to which Rustom Baug replied with 200.

Dadar Parsi Colony Zoroastrian Cricket Club beat Marzban C. C. by 128 run, on the first innings. Dadar Zoroastrian Club 153 (R. Modi 71, Madwalla 5 for 14); Marzban Colony 25 (Bobed 6 for 7 and Khambatta 4 for 18).

United Parsi Dadar Youth XI beat Rustom Baug "B" Team by 9 runs on the first innings Dadar Youths 72 (T. Madon 28, F. Chinoy 7 for 18); Rustom Baug B. 63 (A. Patel 6 for 14).

Kashinath and Wadia St. Colony Colony Club beat Gamadia Colony by 15 runs on the first innings. Kashinath and Wadia St. 131. (E. J. Billimoria 52, K. Jassawalla 5 for 32); Gamadia Colony 116 (C Govadia 36). The result of the Tata Colony S. C. vs. Bhiwandiwalla Colony Sports Club will be announced later.

The following matches in the second round have also been completed.

Dadar Parsi Colony Zoroastrian C. C. beat Rustom Baug "A" team by 4 wickets. Rustom Baug Sports Club. A. 68 and Dadar Zoroastrians 311 for 6 wickets (H. Bilpodiwalla 84 and J. Adelbeharm 69, H. Mirza 41).

Kashinath and Wadia St. Colony Club beat United Parsi Dadar Youths XI by 41 runs on the first innings. Kashinath and Wadia St. 191. (N. Acchadwala 79, N. Madon 4 for 33); Dadar Youths 150 (H. Amrollwala 40, G. Shroff 5 for 37).

Ranji Broadcast

BARODA, Feb. 7, (API): A review of the Ranji Trophy West Zone final to be played at Baroda on the 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th instant will be broadcast by the Baroda Broadcasting station at 9 p.m. daily on 250 metres Capt. Hira Singh will give the review.

Madras Race Club To Donate To Provincial Welfare Fund

MADRAS Feb. 6, (A.P.I.): Mr. C. R. Srinivasan, Chairman of the Publicity Committee of the Madras Provincial Welfare Fund announces that the stewards of the Madras Race Club have agreed to allot two days collections in the current season for the purpose of the fund.

Hard Court Tennis Tournament 1947

SUNDAY: (Run under the auspices of the P. J. Hindu Gymkhana).

PROGRAMME

Court No. 2: 7.45 a.m. S. A. Rathore vs. S. G. Bhamburkar, followed by D. M. Bhatia vs. I. R. Mehta, followed by Narottam Mohanlal vs. L. D. Kapadia.

Court No. 3: 7.45 a.m. Hiralal Parekh vs. S. T. Panjwani, followed by S. K. Pansalkar vs. J. R. Sanghani, followed by R. R. Javeri vs. Vivekanand.

Court No. 4: 7.45 a.m. H. N. Khira vs. P. N. Singh, followed by Bhogilal C. Shah vs. V. S. Krishna, followed by R. G. Jariwalla vs. P. J. Roy.

MONDAY:

At the Gymkhana Tennis Courts, Marine Drive, Bombay 2.

Court No. 1: at 7.45 a.m. B. S. Rama Rao vs. B. C. Chokshi, followed by Ramesh L. Parikh vs. Ginger Khory.

Court No. 2: at 7.45 a.m. A. M. Shetty and J. V. Kamath vs. R. N. Samuel and U. S. Bangera, followed by B. P. Baliga and I. R. Mehta vs. R. R. Ruia and Partner.

Court No. 3: at 7.45 a.m. J. R. Sanghani and Partner vs. P. M. Chokshi and Achrekar.

Court No. 4: at 7.45 a.m. G. N. Wasani and H. N. Khira vs. Krishna and Vivekanand.

EVENING:

Court No. 1: at 4 p.m. V. L. Alexander vs. P. R. Vakil, followed by N. D. G. Rao vs. R. K. Sanghani, followed by R. N. Bhagvat vs. Hardwarilal.

Court No. 2: at 4 p.m. H. B. Dhondy vs. Perviz Kekobad, followed by R. E. Ruia vs. L. A. Mordant, followed by D. N. Dady vs. K. L. Mirchandani.

Court No. 3: at 4 p.m. K. H. Patel vs. K. C. Mashruvala, followed by H. N. Dady vs. G. L. Ward, followed by J. K. Kar vs. K. S Prasad.

Court No. 4: at 4 p.m. P. N. Sarangpani vs. N. D. Vyas, followed by Ahmed A. V. Permahomed vs. A. M. Abraham, followed by B. D. Jog vs. Behram Kekobad.

On the first available court: K. K. Grover vs. M. P. Gandhi, Kundalani vs R. N. Rodrigues, Homi J. H. Talyarkhan vs. R. M. Tadkod, J. Jameson vs. J. N. Tibra.

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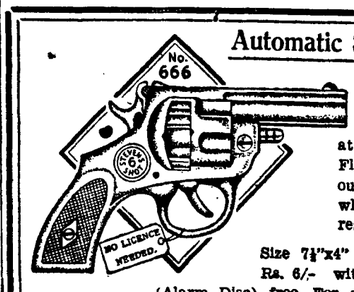

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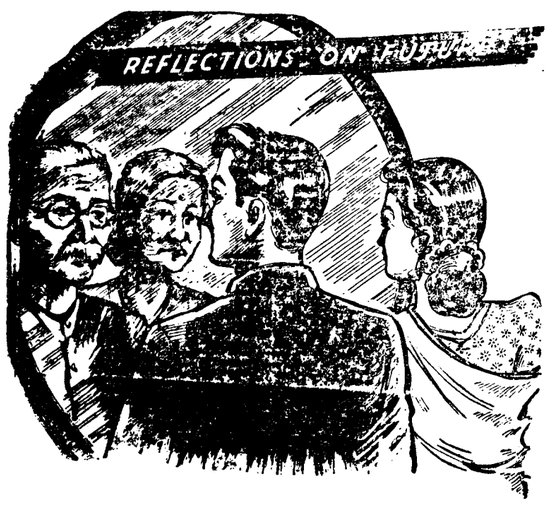

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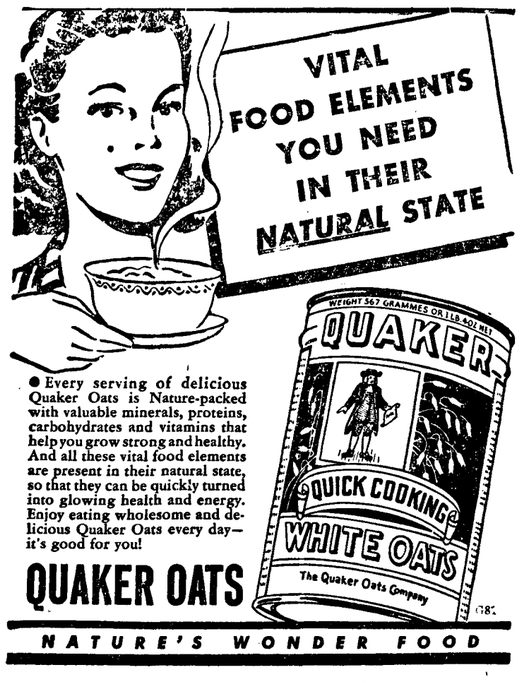
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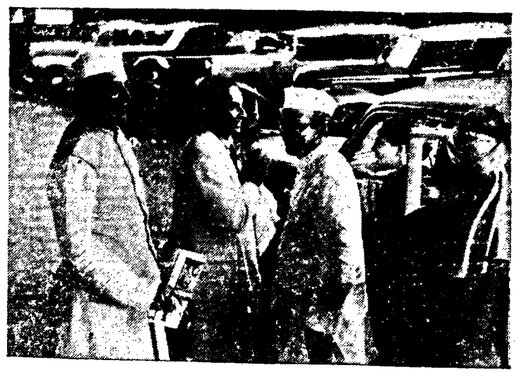


Premier B. G. Kher and his colleagues on the cabinet with Justice Chagla attended a special show of "Juarez" at the Strand Theatre on Wednesday last. Mr. M. H. A. Fazalbhoy received the distinguished guests.

CITY AND SUBURBS

TO-DAY

Hindu: Magh Vad 3, 2003.
Muslim: Rebi-ul-Avval 16, 1366.
Parsi: Shahrever 8, 1316.
Sunrise: 7-11 a.m. Sunset: 6-35 p.m.
Hightide 01-53, 14-02.
Lowtide: 08-12, 19-56.

Today's Engagements

NOTICE TO JURORS.

Sheriff's notice Re: Women Jurors —Attention is drawn to the notice appearing in the Public Notifications Column.

SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND SOCIOLOGY: Annual social gathering today, at 4 p.m., in Convocation Hall. (University Gardens). Shri Vaikunth L. Mehta, Finance Minister, Government of Bombay, will be chief guest.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

We have received a wall calendar for the current year from the Ayurvedashram Pharmacy Ltd., Ahmednagar.

DR. STANLEY JONES LECTURES TODAY: 1. on "The Way and Not-the Way", Wilson College Hall, 6 p.m., Professor R. D. Choksi presiding. 2. Christian Youth Service, Hume Memorial Church, Byculla, 3 p.m.

BOMBAY DISTRICT MUSLIM STUDENTS' FEDERATION: The Iqbal Elocution Trophy Competition for College students only in Urdu today, at 4-30 p.m., in Saboo Siddick Tech. H. School Hall, Shepard Road, Byculla.

SHREE VADNAGARA NAGAR MANDAL: Public meeting of women today, at 4 p.m., at Maninagar Nivas (Pannalal Terraces).

B. P. C. C. MEETING: An ordinary meeting of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee will be held at the Congress House today (Saturday), at 5 p.m.

The President of the Bombay Provincial Students' Congress writes: The Bombay Provincial Students' Congress gives a call for a general strike in sympathy with the students of Khalsa College, today (Saturday).

BOMBAY PROVINCIAL FORWARD BLOC: Meeting of representatives of various institutions, at Forward Bloc Office, 59, Apollo Street, today, at 5-00 p.m., to make arrangements for the celebration of R. I. N. Day's. Col. Ehshar Quadir, I. N. A., will preside.

Rashtrabhasha Exam.

The Rashtrabhasha Examinations of the Rashtrabhasha Prachar Samiti, Wardha, will be held tomorrow (Sunday), between 10-30 a.m. and 5-30 p.m. There will be examination for Kovid and Parichaya, today (Saturday), also between 10-30 a.m. and 5-30 p.m. Candidates should be present at their respective centres half an hour earlier.

FREEDOM GROUP—PARSIS OF TODAY & TOMORROW: The fourth lecture in above series by Prof. P. A. Wadia, today, at 5-30 p.m., ground floor hall, Alexandra Girls' High School, Waudby Road, Fort.

KONKAN MOTOR OPERATORS: Meeting at Marathi Grantha Sangrahalaya, Krida Bhuvan, Thana, tomorrow (Sunday), at 11 a.m., to consider the proposed scheme of the Government of Bombay for Nationalisation of Passenger Bus Services in the Province of Bombay.

MUSLIM BROTHERHOOD: Debate on "Teachers render more service to humanity than doctors" tomorrow (Sunday), at 10-30 a.m. (S. T.), at 15, Phythoni Road.

BOMBAY NATIONAL GUARDS: 11th anniversary of Bombay National Guards at Gowalia Tank Maidan, at 9 a.m. tomorrow (Sunday). Col. Eshan Qadir, has kindly consented to preside.

LALITHKALA KARNATAK NATAK SABHA: "Desh Bhakta" a Kannada drama will be staged in aid of the "Shree Vishnu Moorti Devalaya Kemottoor" (Udipi) tomorrow (Sunday), at 9-30 a.m., at Shree Nand Theatre Dadar.

THE ACME THREAD WORKERS UNION: Annual General Meeting at the St. Isabella High School, Hall (Behind Mazgaon Post Office), tomorrow (Sunday), at 10 a.m.

B. E. S. T. WORKERS' UNION. Since Mr. Abidali's departure for India has been postponed for want of availability of a Plane the Reception Programme at the Aerodrome and at a Public Meeting in honour of Mr Abidali has been cancelled.

2ND BOMBAY MEDICAL STUDENTS' CONFERENCE: Tomorrow (Sunday), at 9 a.m., at Convocation Hall. Dr. Gilder, Health Minister of Bombay will inaugurate the conference.

INDIAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION: Meeting at 3.45 p.m., today, at the Haffkine Institute, Parel.

ART AND TALENT EXHIBITION of works of pupulls of L. Furtado's Music and Talent Improving Class, at Sir C. J. Hall, Fort, on Sunday, at 10-30 a.m. Dr. Simon C. Fernandes will preside. Admission will be free.

CONGRESS LEGISLATURE PARTY: A meeting of the Congress Legislature Party in Bombay will be held at 4 p.m. at the Council Hall today.

WEDDING OF GONDAL PRINCE

(From A Correspondent.)

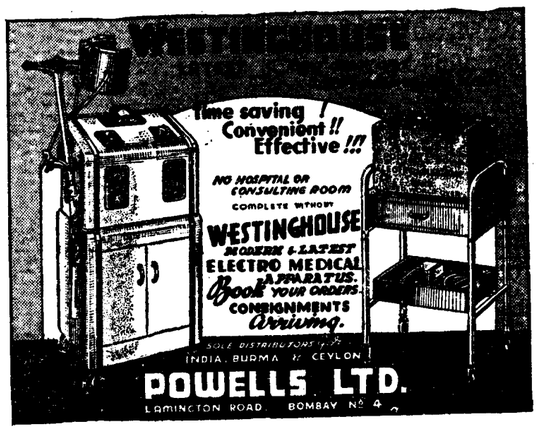
GONDAL, Feb. 3.

The ceremonies in connection with the weddding of Maharaj Kumar Shree Shivrajsinhji of Gondal with commence on the 13th February with the entry of the bridegroom into the "Lagna-mandap" in the forenoon. At night on the same day a "phuleka procession" will be held. On the 14th, the ceremony of "propitiation of the planets" will be held and the installation address will be presented to the Maharaj Kumar on behalf of the people of Gondal, followed by a banquet at 8 p.m. and later by a "phuleka" procession.

MAHARAJ KUMAR SHREE SHIVRAJSINHJI.

On the 15th Feb., a garden party will be held at Grassia College, at 5 p.m. The wedding party will depart from Gondal on the night of the 16th Feb.

It may be mentioned that the Maharaj Kumar was educated in the Rajkumar College at Rajkot and later at the Royal College for Princes at Dehra Dun.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Mr. Islam had also the opportunity of visiting the leading shoe factories of the United Kingdom, as well as of the Continent, and purchased un-to-date machines worth several lakhs, many of which have already arrived.

Bank Hold-Up Attempt Foiled

BOMBAY, Friday.

A well-planned bank hold-up, the third of its kind, since this new mode of crime made its appearance in the City, was foiled by three ace C.I.D. stetuths who lay in wait for the thieves at the Imperial Bank of India (Head Office) this morning.

Closely following every single detail of a cleverly arranged plan, the gang consisting of four bank thieves drove up to the Bank in a big black car with the object of holding up a constituent who, it is stated, was due to deposit a large sum in the Imperial Bank.

Superintendent Kilburn, Inspector Khan Saheb Umerkhan and Deputy Inspector Sami of the C.I.D. (Crime Branch), who had previous information of the hold-up, were waiting for the gang to arrive. They had carefully disguised themselves and nobody could recognise them as Police Officers. No sooner the gang was sighted than it was arrested.

This is the third Bank hold-up the last one being at the Reserve Bank last week.

CINEMA SHOW IN AID OF LITERACY FUND

Sheth Jamnadas M. L. Ladiwala will preside at the cinema show, in aid of Literacy Fund, organised by the Aryan Education Society's High School, at Central Talkies on Sunday, February 9, at 9.30 a.m. Mr. Achyut Patwardhan will address the gathering.

KHALSA COLLEGE STRIKE CALLED OFF

BOMBAY, Friday: The President of the Bombay Provincial Students Congress in a statement today in connection with the Khalsa College Students' strike says: "The strike call given by us have been withdrawn in view of the fact that the subject matter under dispute was referred to Mr. S. K. Patil, President of B.P.C.C., and it has been agreed by both parties that the matter would be referred to an arbitrator appointed by Mr. Patil whose award will be binding on both parties.

'Ambulance Corps, Bombay North'

The 'Ambulance Corps, Bombay North' is a Society which has been started with the sole object of rendering a necessary humanitarian service to all residents of Bombay, particularly Bombay North, without any distinction of caste or creed. The necessity of such a service in the northern part of the City has been long recognised but has now been made possible by the munificent donation of Mrs. Ratanbai-Gordhandas who has kindly offered through the kind agency of Mr. P. K. Asnar to place at the disposal of the Society a fully equipped Ambulance Van and has also agreed to give certain other facilities for the running of the Ambulance Service. The Secretaries appeal earnestly to all the residents of Bombay North to contribute generously to this essential humanitarian service. Any further information required may be obtained from the Joint Hon. Secretary, Dr. M. B. Raut, Ganesh Niketan, Shiwaji Park.

EMPLOYEES TO CONFER

The Industries and Supplies and Allied Offices Staff Union in conjunction with the Times of India Indian Employees Union and the Bombay Government Staff Federation is sponsoring a conference of all Central Government employees, the Bombay Government employees and commercial establishments in Bombay to devise ways and means to take concerted action to achieve their common demands.

TODAY ON RADIO

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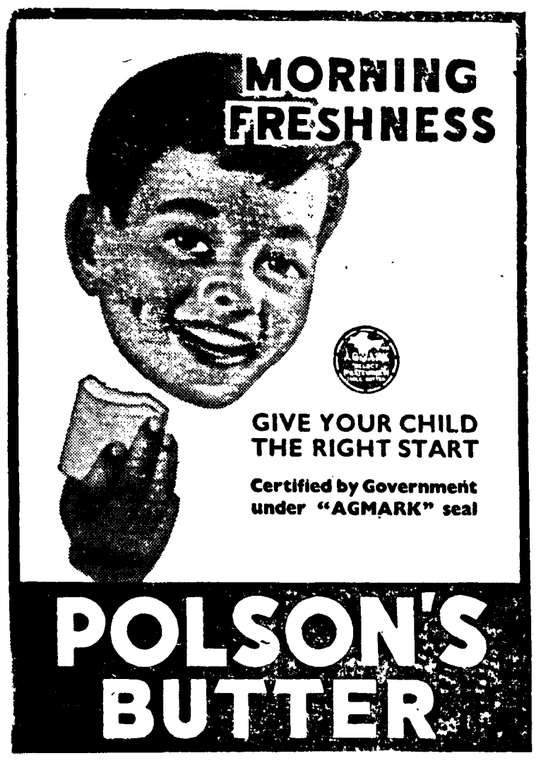

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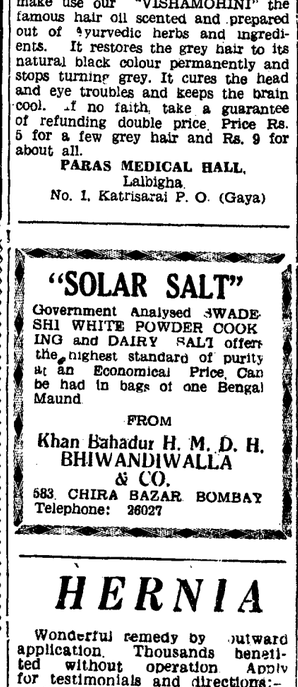

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Relief And Rehabilitation In East Bengal

Gandhiji And Band Of Workers Produce Tremendous Moral Effect Among Stricken Villagers

(BY J. C. MAITRA)

As desired by the Noakhali and Tipperah (East Bengal) Relief Committee, organised by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, I started for East Bengal on January 2. On reaching Calcutta, I saw Sj. Sarat Chandra Bose, Dr. Prafulla Chandra Ghosh, Sj. Surendra Mohan Ghosh, President of the Bengal P.C.C., and Sj. Makhan Lal Sen of the Khadi Pratisthan and had talks with them in regard to the conditions prevailing in the affected areas.

As advised by Dr. Ghosh, I proceeded first to Comilla in the Tipperah District. Dr. Nripendra Nath Bose, Secretary of the Tipperah Relief, Rescue and Rehabilitation Committee, was kind enough to make all arrangements for my stay there and placed his car at my disposal to go about.

RESCUED WOMEN

The first place I saw was the Kanya Sikshalaya where about 30 rescued girls and women had been noused. Arrangements were being made to accommodate about a hundred. Sm. Labanya Prabha Datta and Jamuna Ghosh, sister of Dr. Prafulla Ghosh, are looking after them. The morning I arrived they held their weekly Flag Salutation. I was much impressed by the smart appearance and gait of the inmates. I also paid a visit to the Abhoy Ashram which had just been returned by the Government after ten years of occupation. It is proposed to house the University students who have been seriously affected by the riots in this place for the time being and help them to get through their ensuing exams.

Comilla, like all towns in the two districts, were left untouched by the rioters. So I went to Chaumahani, the Base Camp, so to speak, of the Noakhali District, the next day. Thanks to the help given to me by Sj. Haran Chandra Ghosh Chaudhury Secretary of the Noakhali Rescue, Relief and Rehabilitation Committee, who not only provided me with a jeep but accompanied me or asked his assistant secretary, Sjt. Ashutosh Chaudhury, to do so during my treks, I was able to see a large number of the affected villages during a short period.

GANDHIJI'S GREAT WORK

The important places I visited were Dattapara, Bhatiyalpur, Narayanpur, Boriali, Vijaynagar, Lakshmipur, Dalalbazar, Ramganj, Chandipur, Nandanpur, Kazirkhil, the Base Camp of Sjt. Satish Chandra Das Gupta of the Khadi Pratisthan, and Parkkote I had the good fortune of meeting Mahatma Gandhi at three of these places.

Whoever I met in Bengal expressed his or her deep sense of gratitude to Gandhiji for his visit to the affected villages. But for his presence there, nobody could have been persuaded to return to them, even at this late hour. They are still mightily afraid of the goondas who have not been rounded up up to now. But Gandhiji's plan for their mental and moral rehabilitation is steadily increasing their courage and self-confidence. Although there is silent opposition to his treks from certain quarters, everybody hopes that his mission will be crowned with success.

BRAVE WOMEN WORKERS

The women workers under Sm. Sucheta Kripalani, wife of the Congress President, are rendering yeomen's service in this matter of rescue and rehabilitation. They have boldly invaded the dangerous zones where it was most unsafe to do so. I found Sm. Sushila Pai of our city, and Sm. Bina Das, M.L.A., of Calcutta in charge of two of the storm centres like Karpara and Noakhola respectively. There are many others who are bravely facing all hazards to restore confidence. They have produced tremendous moral effect among the village folk.

The men volunteers are also doing excellent work at great personal inconvenience, hardship and sacrifice. I realised how onerous their task was when I had to walk a distance of 15 miles one day across marshy fields and slippery bridges made of a log of betel-nut tree.

The Relief Committees mentioned above, as well as the Ramkrishna Mission, Marwari Relief Society and others, have been doing their utmost to ameliorate the distress of the afflicted people. But the problem is so vast and the funds and the necessary materials at their command so meagre that the suffering of the people knows no bounds.

HELP STILL NEEDED

The Refugee Camps are now being closed down both by the Relief Committees and the Government. So the refugees, most of whom have been rendered destitute, are compelled to return to their villages. They have no money to buy rations or clothing—not to speak of winter apparels. Thus their plight is terrible. The Relief Committees have stopped giving gratuitous relief. They have taken up constructive work in various directions and are giving help to the sufferers as best as they can. Funds and clothing are urgently needed to save the victims from abject penury and untold misery.

Lastly, I must mention Sj. Satish Chandra Das Gupta, of the Khadi Pratisthan, who with his noble band of workers is engaged in arranging Gandhiji's itinerary and everything appertaining to it. He is busy with the moral rehabilitation programme of the Mahatma at present. I have no doubt he will take up the question of physical rehabilitation of all the sufferers at no distant date under the direction of the same great soul. The task is indeed herculean. If the Bengal Ministry takes up these questions seriously and earnestly and the Muslim population listens to the appeals of Mahatmaji with heart and soul and carries out his wishes, Bengal may still be saved.

COMMODITY PRICES BOARD

Gorwala Appointed President

NEW DELHI, Feb. 6, (A. P. I.): The Government of India have appointed a commodity prices board to advise what prices or price limits should be fixed for commodities, the price of which is controlled by the Central Government or by a provincial Government.

Announcing this, a press communique says: Government have for some time been conscious of the paramount importance in view of the present economic situation in the country, of the particular price levels chosen for those commodities the prices of which are fixed under statutory powers. It is essential to maintain a reasonable relationship between the prices of cash crops and the prices of foodgrains, on the one hand, and between agricultural prices and industrial prices on the other, if producers and consumers alike are not to be put under a constant sense of grievance and agrarian and industrial unrest is to be prevented. In this difficult task of fixing prices Government feel they will be greatly assisted by the advice of a body of experts, with the special duty of maintaining a continuous review over the prices of all commodities and of advising Government what prices, or price levels, to fix for controlled commodities so that the best interests of the community may be served.

It has been decided, therefore, to establish, for a period of three years, in the first instance, a commodity prices board. The Board will consist of:

President: Mr. A. D. Gorwala.

Members: 1. Professor D. R. Gadgil, (2) Name to be announced later. Mr. S. I. Haque, I.C.S., will act as Secretary to the Board.

MARATHI BROADCAST ON B.B.C.

LONDON, Feb. 7, (I. P. A.): From today to the 12th instant the B.B.C. Marathi programme "Jhankar" will broadcast from London on the short-wave in 19 and 25 metre-bands from 7 p.m. to 7-30 p.m. (I. S. T.). The radio "Jhankar" will broadcast every Wednesday at the same time on same wavelength.

75-Crore Steel Project For Wales

LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter). A new £50,000,000 concern, the Steel Company of Wales, is planned to carry out a vast project for modernisation and development of south Wales sheet and tin-plate industry, it was disclosed today. Leading firms have agreed to co-operate in the erection of new plants at Port Talbot and Llangyfelach (Swan Sea) and Trostre (Lanelly). A fourth plant will be at Newport or at Port Talbot.

The proposals are described by the companies as the largest in scope and expenditure ever undertaken by any section of the British steel trade.

The scheme has, it was stated tonight, the unqualified approval of the Iron and Steel Federation, but the decision of the steel board regarding the plan is awaiting.

INTER-ASIAN RELATIONS CONFERENCE

Arab Attitude

(From our Own Correspondent)
JERUSALEM, Jan. 25.

The Governments of Syria, Lebanon and Yemen have finally turned down the renewed invitation to the inter-Asian Peoples Conference scheduled for March, 1947, at Delhi, it is reported here. The Arab League on the other hand, is understood to have decided to send a small delegation of observers.

Expressing full support for "Pakistan" "even if that were to anger Pandit Nehru," Jamal Effendi Husseini, Vice-Chairman of the Palestine Arab Higher Committee, told your correspondent on the eve of his departure to attend the London talks, that the Palestine Arabs' attitude to the inter-Asian Peoples Conference will conform to that of other Arab States.

ARAB LEAGUE & INDONESIA

Delegation To Establish Contact With Nationalist Movement

(From Our Own Correspondent)
JERUSALEM, Jan. 25.

CAIRO.— The despatch of an Arab League Council delegation to Indonesia to establish direct contact with the nationalist movement there was one of the resolutions passed by the Council at its last session in November, 1946, it has now been revealed. The aim of the delegation, it is stated, is to explore the possibilities of cooperation in the cultural and other non-political fields between Indonesians and the Arab world.

El Ashmawi Pasha was recently approached to lead the delegation by the Secretary of the Arab League, Abdul Rahman Azzam Pasha, it is reported. The delegation is expected to spend about four months in Indonesia.

THE LATE MR. L. B. RAJE

Death Of Well Known Social Worker

(From A Correspondent.)

Mr. Laxman Balkrishna Raje, a retired Senior Superintendent in the Accountant General's Office, Bombay, and a well-known social and religious worker passed away on 6th February in Bombay.

After his retirement from service prematurely in 1923, he joined the late Dr. Annie Besant and worked with her in several theosophical activities for nearly eight years. He worked as Secretary of the Bharat Samaj Puja and was also a president of the Hindu Vedic Vivaha Mandal, was a close associate of the late Mr. Gajanan Bhaskar Vaidya, and served for a number of years as an honorary teacher in the Students' Literary and Scientific Society's Girls' High School in Bombay. He owned and edited a magazine called "Swadhaya" for a number of years. He practised and preached 'Universal Brotherhood' and helped all irrespective of caste, creed and sex.

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The plane crashed at Pedro Bernardos in Gredos, a snowbound mountain range about 160 kilometres (about 100 miles) west of Madrid.

3 KILLED IN AIR CRASH IN NATAL

PIETERMARITZBURG, NATAL, Feb. 6 (Reuter): Three people were killed when a chartered aircraft crashed in a wattle plantation near here today and then caught fire.

TWENTY GREEK SOLDIERS MISSING

Sequel To Activities Of Guerillas From Albanian Border

ATHENS, Feb. 6 (Reuter): While the United Nations Commission here was investigating Greek charges of foreign assistance to guerillas in Greece, Greek military authorities reported to-day that the Greek outpost at Nestorious was raided by 300 heavily armed guerillas alleged to have come from the direction of the Albanian border.

Seventy soldiers were overpowered of whom 20 were missing. the authorities said.

BULGARIA REJECTS GREEK CHARGES.

The Bulgarian representative, M. George Moulicheff, told the Commission that, Bulgaria had no part in the guerilla activities and emphatically rejected Greek charges which, he contended, were "obviously aimed at diverting world attention from the actual nature of the Greek situation."

M. Moulicheff accused the present regime in Greece of the responsibility for alleged border incidents and urged the Commission to investigate the "real causes of the present Greek situation which is characterised by bitter conflicts frequently assuming the aspect of a civil war."

U. S. Colonei Detained

SAN FRANCISCO (California), Feb 6 (Reuter): Col. Edward Murray has been detained here on the orders of Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Allied Supreme Commander in Japan, United States Customs Officials stated to-day.

This followed the seizure of diamonds valued at 210,000 dollars by the Customs officials, who said that they were found when Col. Murray returned to the United States from Japan on Monday.

Col. Murray commanded American units in the Philippines islands and later on the Panay islands.

TRANS-JORDAN CABINET CHANGES

LONDON, Feb. 6 (APA): The Trans-Jordan Legation announced to-day the resignation of Ibrahim Pasha Hashim, Trans-Jordan's Prime Minister, and the appointment of Samir Pasha Rifai as his successor. Samir Pasha also holds the offices of Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of Defence.

Others appointed to his cabinet are: Sheikh Amin Shangity, Minister of Education and principal ecclesiastical judge; Abbas Pasha Mirza, Minister of the Interior; Omar Bey Matar, Minister of Communications, Agriculture and Commerce; Suleiman Bey Nabulsi, Minister of Finance and Bisharah Bey Ghasees Minister of Justice.

B. R. Sen Reaches New York

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (Reuter). Mr. B. R. Sen, the new first counseller to the Indian Embassy in Washington, arrived here by plane last night. He declined to make any statement on his new appointment and left for Washington on the same plane.

Begum Hamid Ali, 64-year old delegate to the United Nations Committee on equal rights for women, and her husband Mr. Hamid Abdul Ali were also aboard the same plane.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY QUESTION OF FRANCHISE TO INDIANS

OTTAWA, Feb. 6 (Reuter): British Columbia has set up a committee to study the question of granting franchise to Indians, the Canadian Minister for External Affairs, Mr. Louis Stephen St. Laurent, told the Commons to-day.

He said that the Indian Government asked the Canadian Government last year to assist in obtaining franchise for Indians.

First Act Of Polish President: Full Pardon For Underground Leader

WARSAW, Feb. 6 (Reuter). The first act of the newly elected Polish President, M. Boleslaw Beirut. today was full pardon for Col. Jan Rzepecki who was condemned last week to eight years' imprisonment as commander of the underground organisation "W.I.N." (freedom and independence).

Four of those accused. with Col. Rzepecki, were also pardoned and five others had their sentences reduced.

GOODYEAR CLOSE DOWN

LONDON, Feb. 6. (Reuter): The Goodyear Tyre Factory at Wolverhampton, employing over 2.000 workers is closing down "indefinitely" tonight.

New Minister For Madras

MADRAS, Feb. 6 (APA): Premier Prakasam announced to-day on the floor of the Assembly that Mr. B. Venkataratnam, member from West Godavari, has been appointed as minister in place of Mr. B. Veeraswamy, who recently resigned on grounds of health. Mr. Veeraswamy was holding the Forest portfolio.

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ALL INDIA WEATHER CHART

POONA, Feb 7, (API): Following is the weather chart showing maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during past 24 hours from 1st November 1946 and departure from normal recorded at 0830 hours (I.S.T.) on 7th February 1947.

Allahabad 87 57 0 1.7 0, BOMBAY 89 68 0 7.1 plus 6.3, Calcutta 88 62 0 1.9 plus 0.4, Colombo nil, Cuttack 88 63 0 4.7, Delhi 79 49 0 0.5 minus 1.2, Karachi 81 61 0 0 minus 0.7, Lahore 70 45 0 1.2 plus 0.7, Madras 82 67 0 56.5 plus 25.8 Nagpur 87 62 0 9.6 plus 7.8, Patna 84 56 0 0.6 minus 0.8, Peshawar 62 40 0 3.8 plus 0.9, Poona 88 58 0 6.5 plus 3.2, Shillong 61 40 0 0.8 minus 1.7.

'QUAKE SHOCK RECORD.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7, (A. P. A.): An earthquake of moderate intensity about 8,000 miles from New York, somewhere in the Pacific was recorded at 8-59 hours G. M. T. (14-29 I. S. T.), today, by the Fordham University seismograph.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Pain is the great teacher of mankind. Beneath its breath souls develop.

—Marie Ebner-Eschenbach.

The Bombay Chronicle

IMPOSSIBLE CLAIM

The debate in the House of Lords on the question of compensation to members of Secretary of State's Services in India was extremely feeble, evidently because the case for compensation itself is extremely feeble. Not even the Secretary of State could give an assurance that Servicemen's claims would be duly safeguarded. His only assurance was that every effort would be made to dispose of the question as speedily as possible. It is true that Vicount Simon, Lord Hailey and Lord Linlithgow all held forth on the loyal services rendered by the British Servicemen in India. But this was irrelevent in the discussion of a claim for special compensation, for the men were all paid handsomely for their loyal services, though often these were rendered more in the interests of British imperialism than of the country whose servants the men professed to be. Indeed, their salaries and numerous allowances have always been higher than in any other country in the world, considering the cost of living in India. Nay, in view of possible loss of career under constitutional reforms the Servicemen have been allowed to retire prematurely on proportionate pensions. This was not unknown to the speakers in the House and they were discreetly reticent on the question how the Servicemen could claim compensation in addition to the pension. Nor did any speaker say how an officer could claim compensation even when he voluntarily retired, voluntarily forgoing whatever career was open to him. Lord Hailey merely reiterated the claim of the officers that they should be considered to be "as entitled to compensation as if they had been compulsorily retired". The fact is that these Britishers, who in the past were able to impose upon India all sorts of unconscionable claims without any regard for the wishes or interests of the country, think they can continue to do so even now before they quit it. Indeed, Lord Hailey went so far as to suggest that though the Interim Government might be consulted in the matter, the last word on the subject should rest with Parliament.

The exact words used by Lord Hailey were: "Parliament has undertaken certain statutory engagements for those who have been engaged by the Secretary of State on its behalf. Those obligations, as the Services see them, will have to be fulfilled, not as a result of discussions with the Government of India, but merely as issues for Parliament itself." If by any chance Lord Hailey suggested that by virtue of Parliament's primary responsibility the Services should be paid by the British Government from its own exchequer, India will, of course, not be concerned as to how that Government settles the question of compensation. But India knows full well that once Britain undertakes to pay any compensation the latter will suddenly awake to new aspects of the question and learn to be critical enough of any scheme of compensation. In fact, the question of Britain's responsibility to pay the compensation in question, if it is to be paid at all, has already been publicly discussed by many who have been impressed by the justice of that view. Only a few days ago Mr. P. W. Hewett, writing to the "Times" of London argued that compensation, if any, should be paid by Britain and that it would be "ignoble" to shove the responsibility on to India. His contention was that "It is not the Indian Government who are responsible for constitutional changes, but the British Government; it is not the new Indian Government who are proposing to break the implied contract but the British Government". Now we learn that Mr. Justice Meridith of the Patna High Court, has resigned the presidentship of the I.C.S. Association, Bihar Branch, disagreeing with the view of his fellow Servicemen regarding demands for compensation in lieu of retirement. He holds that "officers of the service were appointed not by Government of the people of India but by the Secretary of State as officers of the British Imperial Government. It is not just that the Indian tax-payer should be saddled with the burden of paying compensation". He also maintains that the right to retire on proportionate pension is sufficient compensation for those members of the Secretary of States services who are unwilling to serve the new Government if offered similar pay and conditions to their present services and that additional compensation, if any, should be paid by the British Government. It is true that he supports compensation by India to those officers who may be compulsorily retired but we have no doubt their cases will be sympathetically considered by the Interim Government. Compensation for voluntary retirement in addition to proportionate pension is an impossible claim and will not be countenanced by the Interim Government.

Hindu Marriage Law Reform

The growing sympathy for social reform among Hindus was evidenced by the decision of the Central Legislative Assembly on Thursday to refer to a Select Committee Dr. G. V. Deshmukh's Special Marriage Act Amendment Bill and to circulate Mr. Sri Prakash's Bill seeking to validate inter-caste marriages. The former Bill enables an already married Hindu couple to have their marriages registered so as to avail themselves of the benefits of the Special Marriage Act, the main benefits being that the Act enforces monogamy and permits divorce in certain cases. As these benefits are now widely appreciated and the Bill is only permissive the Assembly had little difficulty in accepting its principle and referring it to a Select Committee. Its final enactment is now a question of time, of months rather than years. The main features of the Bill are already embodied in the new Draft Hindu Code, which includes many other reforms too. We are sure the Code will be substantially adopted by the Central Legislature. But it will take some time, and meanwhile partial reforms like those in question may well be pushed through without any avoidable delay.

Mr. Sri Prakash's Bill might well have been referred to a Select Committee instead of being only circulated, as if it were a revolutionary measure. The question of inter-caste marriages has long been before the public and such marriages have been supported enthusiastically by the enlightened public. Even now inter-caste marriages are possible under the Special Marriage Act, and Mr. Sri Prakash's Bill permits them even if solemnised only with orthodox religious rites. The delay caused by the circulation may be turned into an advantage if social reformers carry on vigorous propaganda in support of the Bill. Caste has been the bane of Hindu society for centuries past and it cannot be wholly eliminated unless inter-caste marriages become common.

Frankly Speaking

I. N. A. Prisoners

The Indian public will be very happy to learn from reply given to Mr. Sanyal's question in the Indian Legislative Assembly that release of the I.N.A. prisoners is under active consideration. The Interim Government has been in office now for over five months. The release of these officers should have been among the first steps taken by it to satisfy public opinion which is unanimous on the subject. We realize the difficulties in the way of the present Government, especially having regard to the reported attitude of the Army General Headquarters in this matter. But we have now an Indian Defence Member. We trust the process of "active consideration" of the question of these prisoners will not be prolonged unduly.

Indianisation Of The Army

The Defence Secretary, replying to a question in the Indian Legislative Assembly stated on Thursday that it was not possible at present to forecast the date by which the armed forces would be completely nationalised. We trust the Armed Forces Nationalisation Committee which is engaged in devising a plan for doing this, will fix a definite time limit and suggest a method by which Indianisation will be attained within that time limit without any hitch. In the meanwhile it was inevitable that further recruitment of non-Indian officers should have been stopped. In ascertaining the proper methods for rapid Indianisation of the armed forces the Committee should not confine its attention to the working and experience of the British armed forces alone but should also study and profit by what Russia, the U.S.A. and other countries have to teach us in this respect.

Mr. Manu Subedar's Reply

Mr. Manu Subedar has given a vigorous reply to those Britishers who are trying to prolong or obstruct the repayment of India's sterling balances. To those who advance the plea that the suggested period of 13 years for repayment is too short and impracticable Mr. Subedar offers an effective answer by reminding them that India, whose economy never was nor is now comparable to that of Britain, was made to part with goods and services amounting to 1,700 crores of rupees in the much shorter period of five years and that, too, at the terrible cost of privation, starvation and misery for millions of her people. Not less crushing is the manner in which Mr. Subedar demolishes another equally untenable plea, namely, that of inability to pay. This plea is put forward, with ill-grace, on behalf of a country which, as Mr. Subedar points out, has an economy superior to that of any other country in the world except the U.S.A., which exports twice as much as it did before the war, which turned out 1,200,000 tons of shipping in two years, which is fortified by heavy financial loans from the U.S.A. and Canada and which is itself lending out to countries like Greece, Austria and others. And the plea becomes all the more absurd when it is remembered that there are "considerable British assets in this country itself and large assets in the form of ships, munitions, factories and other properties in the United Kingdom which may be either transferred to India or pledged to her".

Bihar Tragedy Enquiry

The Speaker of the Bihar Legislative Assembly has fixed Wednesday next for discussion of the no-confidence motion to be moved by the leader of the Muslim League Party. In the meanwhile the members of the Muslim League Party have decided to absent themselves from the Assembly as a protest against what they consider to be the unsatisfactory attitude of the Bihar Government in respect of the recent tragedy. The no-confidence motion is to be moved in view of 'the unfortunate policy which has been consistently followed' by the Bihar Government during and after the disturbances in that province in October and November last. To avoid the state of feeling between the two communities in that province becoming worse than it is today as a result of the discussion in the Assembly on the vote of no-confidence the Bihar Government should immediately announce the appointment of a committee of enquiry into the tragic happenings of October and November last on the lines of the commission of enquiry appointed by the Bengal Government. The Bihar Government has unduly delayed the appointment of such a committee.

Libel Charge Against League Papers

PATNA, Feb. 7, (U. P. I.): Mr. N. Bakshi, C. I. E., I. C. S., Commissioner, Patna Division, filed complaints before the District Magistrate of Patna under Sections 501 and 502 against the editor, printer and publisher of the "Patna Times," a Patna daily, the editor, printer and publisher of the "Morning News", a Calcutta daily, and the editor, printer and publisher of the "Dawn", a Delhi daily, for publishing a letter from one Imamuddin and commenting thereon.

The letter in question, 'inter alia' said: "The attitude of the Hindu magistracy of Bihar can be clearly seen from the statement made by the Bengali Hindu Commissioner of the Patna Division, Mr. N. B. Bakshi, I. C. S., to Mr. Imamuddin of Patna.

"When Mr. Bakshi was approached by Mr. Imamuddin for relief work, the Commissioner curtly said: "This is not my job. Your Muslim League should have been prepared for this catastrophe, as it is responsible for the Noakhali massacre. My wife is still weeping for her brother who has been killed in Noakhali and now you ask help from me.'"

In his complaints, Mr. Bakshi says that he does not know Mr. Imamuddin, nor did he make such statement to him or to anyone else and that neither his wife has had any brother, nor did she come from Noakhali and hence the question of losing her brother in Noakhali did not arise. The Commissioner further says that the suggestive headlines are defamatory and libellous and have been published with a view to lowering him in the estimation of the Government, his superiors and the public.

The District Magistrate has ordered for inquiries.

TEMPORARY INJUNCTION GRANTED

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Tendolkar.)

Mali Baboo Ganoo .....Plaintiff.

vs.

Suleman Haji Oomer and others .....Defendants.

His Lordship granted a temporary injunction restraining the defendants from trespassing upon the land or interfering with the use and enjoyment there of pending the disposal of the suit, the hearing of which was expedited to April 10, 1947.

The Plaintiff is a "mali" who had rented certain vacant pieces of land at 126, Gowalia Tank Road from one R. D. Dinshaw for the purpose of gardening. The Plaintiff stated that he had spent about Rs. 1,000 on the land and was growing flowers and vegetables upon it for earning his livelihood. The defendants purchased this land from R. D. Dinshaw. The Plaintiff alleged that the defendants thereafter pulled down the wall, stored articles on land which had been leased out to the Plaintiff and trampled upon and damaged his flowers.

The defendants denied that the Plaintiff was a tenant of the land in question.

After hearing Counsel, his Lordship made the order as stated above.

Mr. M. L. Maneksha instructed by Messrs. Nagindas Hoosseinally & Co. appeared for the Plaintiff.

The Advocate-General instructed by Messrs. Ambubhai & Divanji, appeared for the defendants.

MASACHUSSETS, Feb. 6, (Reuter): The British playwright George Bernard Shaw master of quick quip used the men of America's famous Harvard University as his foil today In an answer to a cable from Harvard Veterans Theatre workshop requesting his permission to use his play "Saint Joan" George Bernard Shaw wired from England: "Delighted to hear 'Saint Joan' is being done at Harvard. Have always wanted to see Joan played by a male."

India Must Wipe Off Blot Of Illiteracy

More Energetic Measures By Government Needed

(By Raman N Vakil, Principal, The Modern School, Bombay).

The Government of Bombay have launched a ten-year plan to liquidate illiteracy in the city of Bombay. It is a matter of some gratification but not of real enthusiasm. In this land of ours, millions live and die in ignorance. The rural areas of Bombay province should have got priority over urban areas in the matter of adult education. Cities have been built on the wreckage of villages. They have been fed and have grown fatter by exploiting the sweat and blood of ignorant villages. It is time that they should be made to pay more to rebuild healthy and educated villages. That would be proper penance for all the sins of omission and commission done in the past by the city dwellers of today, who have deserted their homes in the rural areas at some time, to build up large towns and cities and have brought prosperity to their new urban homes, but poverty, misery and darkness to their abandoned rural homes.

Gigantic But Not Impossible Task

It is true that making all the village folk in the province literate is no mean task. Making the whole of India literate is, indeed, a gigantic task. But for a determined and alert Government or people no task, however difficult and great, is impossible. People that can fight ruthless and rescurceful enemies for six long years, with men and money, can fight with comparative ease the wicked dragon of darkness and can most certainly destroy him. All the difficulties will vanish gradually if the various governments will set all their energies and resources to this task of the greatest significance with an unflinching determination.

But to our great misfortune, our public men seem to lack a proper sense of perspective and proportion. Everything that they utter, undertake or do has a political motive. Our eyes are focussed on political matters only. Every other question—they seem to say—can wait. Many of our political problems would not have cropped up if we had waged a war against the dark forces of ignorance, a decade or two ago. All the social superstitions, religious or sectarian fanaticism, economic inequity and political misnomers would not have vexed our lives today if our masses had not been denied the light of knowledge. It is however, never too late. Let us even now focus our sight and strength on the question of removing illiteracy from our midst. Let us stop all the purposeless talk of our rich and ancient cultural heritage and think of the present and future.

Present Government Measures Inadequate

The method and means employed by the Bombay Government, to spread literacy are neither sufficiently imaginative nor bold and certainly insignificant in proportion to the magnitude of the problem of illiteracy. A few hundreds of school children let loose on crowded and unsafe roads to collect a few anna coins, or schools entering into unhealthy competitions to get a trophy for the highest collections of the literacy week or the funds collected from the meagre pocket money of school-children, cannot help to wipe out such a large, dark blot on the social life of the premier city of the country. And even if they can, such exploitation of school-going children's energy and money is highly undesirable, apart from the question of safety and self-respect of these little citizens. We, adults, have exploited school children considerably for political and other ends due to our inability and lack of courage and it is high time that these means and methods of employing 'child-labour' for the work that should be done by adults, is ended immediately in the best of interests of the cause and the children themselves. There is plenty of talk on the part of the Government about lack of financial resources and the gigantic nature of the task. That talk is hardly convincing in view of the various expensive reconstruction schemes put forth by the Provincial and Central Governments. Everything else can wait. One thing that cannot wait is the spread of literacy among the ignorant masses of a nation on the threshold of Swaraj.

Examples Of Other Nations

There are examples of nations that have applied all their energies and resources to the great task of literacy and education in the most difficult times to the great advantage of immediate future. There are the examples of Japan and Russia, in our part of the world. The slow yet steady progress of Australia is worth careful study and will serve as a good model for India on account of certain similarity in natural conditions. And if we turn to our next door neighbour—China—with whom we claim so much affinity of culture, and which can compare favourably with our country in size, bulk of population and illiteracy, the achievement is simply astounding. China applied its mind to the problem of mass literacy only a little before Japan attacked her. During eight long years of agony, chaos and devastating war, the progress of literacy was hampered to a great extent, but the task was never abandoned. And as a result, after eight years of war, the literacy figure of China rose by nearly a hundred per cent. Turning to Mexico—a country that cannot be regarded as fully civilized from prevailing western standards, useful results were achieved by legislature in not too distant past. Every literate adult was compelled by law to make one illiterate person literate. If we can adopt such a practice, even under unwilling compulsion, we can bring forth significant results in a couple of years with little pressure on the public purse.

Egypt's Determined Effort

In Egypt, the gateway of the East, a widespread, full-blooded campaign for the spread of literacy was launched early last year. The definite results cannot be known in such a short period when the whole life of the nation is full of internal strife and turmoil and is slowly recovering after six years of dreadful illness and consequent weakness. But the people and the Government alike are determined to wipe out illiteracy from the ancient land of the Pharaohs and in the next few years, the percentage of literacy will be increased considerably. Let us survey the plan of Egypt, as it contains many measures which we can as well employ with great advantage. All the illiterate males between the ages of 13 and 45 and females from 12 to 25 are affected by the plan. Literacy classes are held for 2 hours a day, for five days in a week, for nine months of the year. The operation of the plan has doubled the number of persons receiving instruction in the whole educational system. A task of such dimensions would need far-reaching administrative arrangements; therefore, the educational department has sought the close co-operation of the Ministries of Social Affairs, Health, Interior, Agriculture and Industry. Thus it is an all-out effort of the whole government and the entire cabinet bears its responsibility.

All available buildings, such as public lecture halls, mosques, churches and private building, are pressed into service as schools. All illiterates are registered and a sequence has been arranged for their turn to attend these schools. All employers and landowners are made responsible for their employees. Factories, and business concerns, employing more than 30 persons and landowners with holding of more than 200 acres, have to open classes for their employees at their own cost. The Prison Department is responsible for the education of all prisoners with terms exceeding nine months. To encourage the prisoners and other workers and to afford them enough time, the hours of work are also curtailed. If any of the servants in a government department fails to obtain a literacy certificate within four years, his services are to be terminated. And if an illiterate person does not attend classes he is liable to fines and possible imprisonment.

India Must Forge Ahead

Thus Egypt is determined to fight a second war, against the forces of evil and darkness immediately in the wake of the first one. If a small country like Egypt with lesser resources can undertake such a bold and imaginative project, why not India? We can do this, even more than other countries have been able to do, provided we decide to fight all anti-social, anti-national, anti-cultural internal enemies with education, the sharpest and surest sword.

The element of compulsion is unavoidable in dealing with the illiterate masses. For the time being, the now popular Government may have to risk its popularity with the taxpayers and the masses. It is also likely that compulsion may produce limited and reluctant results. But looking to the urgency and importance of the problem, any sacrifice made by the people or the Government is worth making. It is also true that we cannot stop at the spread of literacy: expensive measures such as publication of suitable literature opening of libraries, information bureaus and museums will have to be undertaken for the retention and expansion of knowledge.

Release Building Materials To Speed Up Housing

Corporation Deputation Urges Minister To Take Steps To Encourage Building Activity In City

BOMBAY, Feb. 7, (A.P.I.): The appointment of a panel composed of the City Engineer the Housing Commissioner and the Steel Controller for the purpose of assisting the Government in the release of essential building materials, was suggested by a deputation led by the Mayor of Bombay, Mr. M. I. Rowjee, which met Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Labour Minister, today.

The Mayor discussed with the Labour Minister ways and means of encouraging building activity in Bombay and steps to be taken to regularise the distribution of building materials.

The Bombay Municipal Corporation has leased vast areas of land for house building. In order that buildings may be constructed in the areas as early as possible it was necessary the Mayor pointed out, that the Government should take measures to secure and release necessary quantities of building materials. For that purpose he suggested that the Government set up an authority to issue permits for release of stocks of materials and thus remove the hardships now being felt in securing them at fair and reasonable prices. This would keep down the cost of buildings and regulate the level of rents.

Mr. Nanda, it is understood assured the deputationists that he would consider the various suggestions carefully.

Attitudes And Latitudes

By BIRBAL

Azad Hind Party

It is reported that Sarat Bose has launched the Azad Hind Party. The membership at the moment is constituted of the officers and the men of the I.N.A. and the party is pledged to "accept unconditionally the ideology of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose." Its main aim is the completion of Subhas Bose's unfulfilled task. This marks another decisive step in the story of the I.N.A. and not a very illogical one. When the I.N.A. formed itself the Indian National Congress was definitely opposed to the idea of active collaboration with the Axis Powers. Pandit Jawaharlal clearly stated that he would personally oppose any force that Subhas might lead into India with Japanese help. Nor did the Congress ever allow its decisions to be governed by or in any way co-ordinated with the programme of the I.N.A.

Then came the collapse and over sixty thousand Indians were safely in British hands. The Congress was still quiet. Even the public was silent, waiting to see the reactions of the party leaders. In the meantime the country was pre-occupied with events at home. Immediately after the first Simla Conference, however, the whisper went round that twenty thousand of the I.N.A. personnel were confined in the Red Fort, Delhi and that six of them had already been shot. No one dared to publicise the news and ask for explanation from the Government except Birbal. Three days later Pandit Jawaharlal, who was holidaying in Kashmir, came out with a very strong statement demanding facts and a fair deal to the I.N.A. prisoners. The statement acted as a signal to the release of pent-up sympathy for the Azad Hind Fouj. Seldom has public sympathy been expressed more strongly on any issue. The Congress found itself landed with the baby and to all intents and purposes the Congress did all it could to help the I.N.A. prisoners. The name of Subhas, till then banished from the orthodox hierarchy was reinstated and his pictures became indispensable to any Congress function. The news of his death made the recognition very much easier.

For once in its career the British Government blundered and announced the public trial of Sehgal, Dhillon and Shah Nawaz. According to the I. N. A. men themselves the Government could not have chosen better. The Congress, of course, put up its best for their defence in the person of Bhulabhai Desai and added glamour by sending, among others, Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru. With the release of the three officers the Congress victory was complete.

All this being done the question still remained as to what to do with this very conscious class of fighters. For some time the I.N.A. officers were used for electioneering work and for training of volunteers. Huge funds were raised for the support and the rehabilitation of the unemployed soldiers. But such plans never work to perfection and soon there was heartburning on both the sides. The I.N.A. did not feel that enough was being done for them—the Congress thought that it had already done more for them than it had ever done for its own political sufferers. The difference in political ideology, of course, was there all the time. Members of the Azad Hind Fouj could not possibly become apostles of non-violence even though they may eschew it for the time being. It is true the Congress Socialists were at this time professing a more militant and violent philosophy but they and the I.N.A. never seem to have met even to consider the possibility of amalgamation or absorbtion. Then to be an aspirant for the membership of the C.S.P. one must be a member of the Congress. There were large sections in the I.N.A. who believed in socialism but not in the Congress as at present constituted.

And so now a way seems to have been discovered whereby the I.N.A. has organised to plough its own line of thought and action. How it will line up with the existing forces in the country will be watched with interest. Who will be its directing genius will also be a major factor. At present it looks as though the dead Subhas will be its mainspring of inspiration and his brother the living symbol of unification. Whether Subhas can still inspire an organisation and make it into a live wire, and whether Sarat can act as the conductor, remains to be seen. To Birbal Sarat's calibre looks very doubtful and to think of him in a militant role inevitably reminds Birbal of his own fate when he led his master Akbar's army in a campaign against the tribal people of the N.W.F.P. towards the end of the sixteenth century.

Jails For All

Newspapermen in Egypt are lucky. Their Government are planning to build special jails to be used exclusively for such of the fraternity as violate press regulations imposed by the Government. We presume the conditions in these jails would be an improvement on the rest of the prison houses. Consequently the journalists will be encouraged to fight for their freedom with less dread of the detention to follow.

We wish the Indian Government would also build special jails. Journalists would not claim top priority. There are others more urgently in need of Government hospitality. For instance, the beggars. It's amazing how they escape the notice of our administration which is always talking in terms of schemes of crores of rupees for the upliftment of the masses.

Then, of course, special jails must be built for the communal cranks who believe in stabbing and looting. Special classes for political science must be conducted in their precincts.

Lastly there must be special jails for the political dissentients. Whether we get freedom or not—they will always be there and the further they are kept from the ordinary run of criminals the better it will be for both. It would be as dangerous for the politicals to learn from the professional criminals as for the latter to catch political infection from the former.

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TETE A TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

BERLIN, February 6 (Reuter) Lieut.-Gen. Sir Brian Robertson, British Deputy Military Governor in Germany, bluntly told Russian members of the Allied Control Council that he was dissatisfied with the tenor of the German press under Soviet control and that Britain would not be bludgeoned into accepting ideas by any campaign of "vilification."

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LONDON, Feb. 6 (Reuter): The Secretary of State for India, Lord Pethick-Lawrence has appointed Sir Henry Knight, lately Acting Governor of Assam to be one of his advisers in succession to Sir Atul Chatterjee.

A most appropriate appointment! The heyday of the India Office is long since over and soon it will pass into the limbo of night.

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SOVIET-U.S. SPLIT AGAIN
—Headline.

Why "Again"?

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M. Koulicheff, the Bulgarian representative, accused the present regime in Greece of the responsibility for alleged border incidents and urged the UNO Commission to investigate the "real causes of the present Greek situation which is characterised by bitter conflicts frequently assuming the aspect of a civil war."

It is obvious that Bevin's Greece and Bear's grease do not mix well.

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Britain is passing at present through a terrific cold wave.

Has it anything to do with the impending loss of the Empire on which the Sun is fast setting?

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NEW DELHI, Feb. 6 (A.P.A.): Replying to Prof. N. G. Ranga in the Central Assembly today the Finance Member, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, said that he hoped to make a statement on the question of Salt Tax during the current session of the Assembly.

We will of course take it with a pinch of Pakistan salt

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Referring to those members who were opposed to the Marriage Registration Bill, Mrs. Swaminathan asked if the opposition in the Central Assembly was because of the fear that their wives would divorce them or was it because they had no faith in their wives?

On the contrary they may be merely afraid of the proposed double matrimonial padlock—legal as well as sacramental.

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There were vehement personal exchanges between Dr. Deshmukh and Mr. N V. Gadgil during Dr. Deshmukh's speech till the President called for order.

—Assembly Report.

We strongly protest against the A.P.I. reporter who has whetted our curiosity—and merely left us up a tree by this laconic news! Spill it out lad, spill it out.

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"Why did you get a divorce?"

"My wife called me Idiot.?"

"That's not sufficient cause for a divorce."

"Well, you see, it was like this. I came home and found my wife in the arms of the chauffeur, and I said, 'What's the meaning of this?' and she said, 'Can't you see, you idiot?'"

DEATH ANNIVERSARY OF LATE MR. F. C. BANAJI

The 96th death anniversary of late Mr. Framji Cowasji Banaji will be celebrated on Wednesday (12th inst.) morning at the Krishna Cinema, Charni Road. Besides the screening of the popular and devotional film 'Bharthari' from 10 a.m. to 12-30 p.m., another film about the Uran Parsi Colonisation scheme will also be screened. Joint prayers will be offered. The function is arranged by collaboration of Mr. Behman S. Banaji and Homi F. Daji.

Empire Of India Life Assurance Co.

Sir,—The Empire of India Life Assurance Company have come out with a bombastic advertisement to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the Company, while their staff have been on strike for nearly 42 days past to get their elementary rights conceded by the Company. Under the present circumstances, surely the Management has not shown any sense of propriety or proportion in advertising its Golden Jubilee. I am a Shareholder and Policyholder of the Company. I was also an employee of the Company holding a very high and responsible post, namely that of a Chief Organising Inspector until 1939. After 16 years of service in the Company I know how poorly the Company treats its employees whose grievances are as just as they are long-standing. All I say is that there must be something drastically wrong with the Management of a Company which treats its employees so heartlessly and callously. Their grievances deserve the immediate attention of the Board of Directors and all Shareholders and Policyholders who have the interest of the Company at heart.

It is the imperative duty of all those who are interested in the Company to join together and to raise a strong protest against the treatment meted out by the Company to its employees. If need be, the Shareholders and the Policyholders should move the High Court to compel the Management to run the Company in a manner which will promote its interests. As a matter of fact I am contemplating such a legal action and would request all other Shareholders and Policyholders to join me in my effort to secure elementary rights of the employees and to prevent mismanagement of the Company's affairs.

Bombay, Jan. 30.

SAL COOPER.

Foreign Capital In Indian Industries

Move To Impose Ban Dropped In Central Assembly

NEW DELHI, February 7, (A.P.I.): After a three—hour debate, Mr. Sri Prakasa withdrew his resolution in the Assembly today recommending Executive, Administrative and other measures to check and prevent any alien hold on Indian economy in the shape of control of Indian industry in any manner.

INDIA NEEDS HELP FROM ABROAD

He withdrew it in response to the desire expressed by Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar, Member for Industries and Supply, who observed that the object of the resolution, namely, that India should control her economics as much as she should control her politics was acceptable to all, but the form in which the resolution proposed the achievement of that objective was too sweeping and made it difficult for Government to accept it.

Government, he said, had before it the report of the Planning Advisory Board presided over by Mr. K. C. Neogy and would consider its policy and come to a decision as early as possible in the light of the new conditions that prevailed now in the country. Those conditions, he maintained, were such that we could no longer think in terms of narrow nationalism or repeat the old language of isolationism.

India needed help from abroad for the production of a variety of complex and complicated forms of goods which involved agreement with foreign interests as regards technical methods and processes. These might not be obtainable except on terms which might involve more than mere payment for goods and services. He, therefore, suggested to the mover not to press the resolution in the form in which it had been moved.

TEXT OF RESOLUTION

Mr. Sri Prakasa's resolution read: "Whereas India is on the threshold of a big programme of industrialisation; Indian industrialists are planning a large-scale expansion of existing industries and contemplating new industrial ventures; foreign financiers and industrialists have acquired whole or partial control of the capital and management of such undertakings; therefore, this Assembly recommends to the Governor-General-in-Council to take Executive, Administrative and other measures effectively to check and, if possible, to prevent any alien hold on Indian economy in the shape of control of Indian industry, in whole or in part through a gift or sale of shares, partnership, association, agreement, contract or otherwise."

HELP WITHOUT OBLIGATIONS

Commending his resolution Mr. Sri Prakasa said that he was not actuated by any communal or racial motives in sponsoring this resolution. But he must point out that as the country was now on the threshold of political freedom she would not be able to sustain that freedom without economic freedom. Many foreign concerns were now demanding a share in the business in India as a condition before they sold capital goods. India should not tolerate such a position but should purchase her requirements only from such concerns as were willing to sell without any obligations on our part. He recognised that in certain industries India required foreign technical aid but it would be unfair for Britain or the United States to refuse us aid after all the help that India gave in the last war. India welcomed the voluntary co-operation of other countries because a strong, self-respecting and contented India would be an important factor in world peace.

END THE SHADY PAST

Mr. Vadilal Lallubhai seconding the resolution said that it proposed to put a stop to foreign partnerships with Indian firms and individuals and "therewith put an end to the shady past of the history of foreign economic and political domination in India." He refuted the argument that in view of India's present position she had got to allow foreign capital and foreign partnership if she wanted to establish new industries. India, Mr. Vadilal said, must emulate the example of Russia.

Declaring that India was in a favourable position to-day, Mr. Vadilal said that a country with so much potentialities and forty crores of population—its goodwill was a thing that any nation of the world would covet for in their own interests, both commercial and political. India's credit was at its height and the world required her goodwill. There was the fear of a depression. All these factors, he said, could be utilised to India's advantage.

No country in the world to-day, Mr. Vadilal said, could claim the monopoly of any particular industry. If one country refused to help us we could go to another country. If India could be firm she was bound to get help in course of time. He warned the Government against deals and agreements with foreign concerns which were not in the interests of the country. If the present trend was continued without a check, Mr. Vadilal said, the National Government would find it extremely difficult to repudiate those deals in future.

MANU SUBEDAR'S SUGGESTION.

Mr. Manu Subedar (Congress) urged the appointment of a Committee to consider all aspects of the problem. Then, and then alone, should Government take some action in the matter.

There was a legal difficulty in implementing the resolution. So long as the safeguards sections of the Government of India Act remained, it was not possible legally for Government to impose disabilities on any enterprises in which Britishers were concerned, if such disabilities were not simultaneously imposed on Indian enterprises of a like nature. This was a humiliating restriction, but this was the first difficulty.

Foreign capital, said Mr. Subedar, was not an evil in all cases.

As Chairman of a Committee which recently reported to the Government of Bombay, he had made a constructive suggestion. This was that, consistent with the restrictions of the 1935 Act, Government should immediately adopt a system of licensing factories. That would at least give Government the information it required and once they had the information they could then determine which kind of foreign capital was bad.

He suggested that if we had to get foreign capital, foreign capital goods on foreign personnel we should get them through a controlled and regulated manner so that while the products would be manufactured in this country the evils which were complained of would not exist.

EUROPEAN GROUP'S VIEW

Mr. G. W. Tyson (European Group) asked against whom the measures proposed in the resolution were primarily to be taken. They seemed to affect Indian industrialists themselves who might enter into an "unholy alliance" with foreign capital.

"I personally can only think that there are two conclusions in the mover's mind—first that the Indian industrialist who is planning this big programme of industrial expansion is a fool who has got to be protected against himself, and secondly that the Indian industrialist is in some way less patriotic than other Indians and that he is prepared to sacrifice the true interests of his country to some immediate motives of personal gain."

The House was perfectly entitled to adopt a resolution of this kind and the country was fully entitled to implement it as its industrial policy. But the consequences of it would be that India's industries would not progress in the way all of us wish to see it progress.

Mr. Tyson suggested that the House should reject the wording of the resolution while maintaining its spirit in some form or another

Khan Abdul Ghani Khan (Congress) opposed the resolution "in spite of its patriotic tinge." In a humorous speech, he said that in plain language, the resolution meant that the Government of India should pass a law that only Indian capitalists were to be allowed to rob Indian people and not American and English robbers. The resolution was based on the assumption that robbery could be stopped by giving an official monopoly to local chiefs. (Laughter).

His proposal was to allow a reasonable margin of profit and on that basis invite all the money in the world to come and serve India and build India. What did it matter whether the donkey that carried a load for India was brown or white? Money had no nationality and, unfortunately for the Muslim League, it had no religion. (Laughter).

What was wanted, said Khan Abdul Ghani Khan was control over profit, Indian as well as foreign, and not control over investments. Invent the harness to control the horse, he urged.

NEED FOR FOREIGN AID

Dr. Ziauddin Ahmed opposing the resolution declared that it was not money alone that helped industrialisation. Labour and technical skill were more important than capital. Unless we could get foreign assistance it would be impossible for us to build any industry at the present stage of our development.

Mr. K. C. Neogy agreed with the principle enunciated in the resolution but thought that the draft was of a sweeping character and therefore unacceptable. The issues raised in the resolution, Mr. Neogy said, had been dealt with by the Advisory Planning Board over which he presided. The Board came to the conclusion as also the various industrial panels which Government had previously appointed, that capital that would be required for the development of our industries would be amply found in this country itself. But in regard to certain highly specialised industries in the establishment of which foreign countries might be in a position to dictate it was recommended that subject to retention in Indian hands of effective control, there could be foreign control or management for a limited period.

Subject to the above exception Mr. Neogy said the Board came to the unanimous conclusion that there was no justification for us to have foreign control and management. Apart from the practical difficulties having regard to the present constitutional restrictions, Mr. Neogy said it would do well not to pass the resolution.

GOVERNMENT REPLY

Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, Member for Industries and Supplies, said that so far as the object of the resolution was concerned there was no disagreement. But he agreed with Mr. Neogy that the draft was of a sweeping character and the manner and method in which its object should be achieved were not correct. The situation in the country to-day was not what it was a few years ago. Once capital was considered to be very essential but to-day it was finding the necessary technical skill, secret processes which other countries had evolved and previous knowledge and scientific management. Slogans or formulae could not bring about industrialisation.

"To-day "Mr. Rajagopalachari said "constitutional difficulties are vanishing into thin air. It is no longer a question of discriminating clauses being removed. They have removed themselves. The whole situation has altered and even the British Government does not worry to revive their memories about commercial safeguards in the Government of India Act. These safeguards, as was warned even at the time they were passed, cannot protect any body. The European Group will have to be protected more by mutual arrangement than by any safeguards. At the present moment let not the members be bothered about constitutional difficulties. They are going to be removed as a result of changes that are coming about in the political condition of India."

SHORTAGE IN ESSENTIALS

Mr. Rajagopalachari said that there was now a serious shortage of essential articles and production in the country had fallen low. This was a matter of very great anxiety to all. Corruption, black-marketing and cognate ills prevailed because of shortage in supply. With the help of all, they should step up production and this was not the time to lay down a formulae or talk in terms of rigid nationalism. The object of the resolution being accepted, Government were going to consider the whole position and hoped they would arrive at wise decisions. He therefore would request the mover to withdraw his resolution.

Mr. Sri Prakasa thanked Government for the assurance given and withdrew his resolution. He hoped Government would give their earnest con-

The House next discussed Mr. N. Narayanamurthi's resolution asking Government to adopt an effective programme of crop insurance Mr. Narayanamurthi said that in view of the heavy loss constantly suffered by agriculturists of this country and also in view of the fact that agriculture was the prime occupation of an overwhelming majority of the people of this country, Government should introduce crop insurance.

Seth Govind Das supporting the resolution said that crop insurance was very essential for the Indian peasant. A big agriculturist himself, he had studied the problem and would make certain suggestions to Government in this regard. They were: Government should evolve a scheme which would be easy to administer and which would give the maximum benefit to the peasants: No ambitious scheme should be launched because the problem was gigantic: It should be financially sound and economic in working: The execution of the scheme should be so operated as to minimise litigation: The benefit should be extended in the first instance only to small holders and not to big farms covering extensive tracts.

Prof. N. G. Ranga, supporting the resolution, said that there was nothing novel in the suggestion. Till 1919, the Government of India had a famine insurance scheme and he would suggest the extension of that principle to crop insurance. There were over 300 million agriculturists in India and it was the responsibility of the Government to give them relief from economic distress and uncertainties.

GOVERNMENT'S DIFFICULTIES

Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Food Member, replying to the Debate, expressed his fullest sympathy with the objects of the resolution but pointed out the difficulty of crop insurance under Indian conditions, which he asked members to consider. With care and attention, any scheme of insurance in India was an insurance against the weather. There was the further risk of cattle diseases. There had been years in which cattle had died like flies and crops had failed on that account even though the weather was favourable.

The difficulty was that most of our cultivators did not produce for sale: They produced for their own consumption and only a portion of what they produced was sold. That made a world of difference between our system and the American system of agriculture. Whereas in America agriculture was a kind of industry, in India it was a sort of a vocation. That might be all the more reason why the Indian peasant should be insured but it made the difficulty of insurance all the greater.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad felt that under the present conditions the majority of our peasants were not in a position to save enough in order to be able to pay the premium.

It was not necessary on a resolution like this to appoint a Committee because a Committee could not do anything without the necessary data. In this case we did not have that data. In the absence of data it was not possible for him to commit Government to any course of action. At the same time, he had the fullest sympathy with the objects of the resolution and was prepared to examine the question in detail.

On this assurance Mr. Narayanamurthi withdrew his resolution and the House adjourned till Monday.

ADIWASI MOB BURNS TIMBER CARTS

(From Our Correspondent)

DAHANU, Feb. 7.

Police headquarters at Dahanu are still being flooded with complaints of violence by Adiwasis.

At Wanai in Dahanu taluka sixteen carts carrying timber were attacked by strikers, who burnt eight and damaged the rest.

A dacoity is reported at Zai in Umbergaon taluka wherein property worth Rs. 800 was looted by an Adiwasi mob.

Hay worth 2,000 was burnt at Murbad in Dahanu taluka. At Ambeda, in Palghar taluka, a mob interfered with the forest workers who stopped work, but later resumed work under police protection.

EJECTMENT DECREE

Deduction Of Overcharged Electric Charges

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Weston)

R. D. Dallas — Applicant (Original plaintiff) vs.

Rajaram A. Goknale — Respondent (Original defendant)

The interesting question which arose in this revision application from the decision of the Court of Small Causes, was whether a tenant could deduct electric charges which might have been overcharged by the landlord, from the standard rent.

The applicant who owned a building at Dadar known as Dallas Building, had let it out to several tenants. Under the terms of tenancy every tenant had to pay his own bill for electric lights in addition to the rent. In May 1941 separate electric meters were removed and a fixed fee was charged to each tenant for electric charges. The respondent paid Rs. 16/- per month for rent and Rs. 1/8 per month by way of electric charges. After some time the landlord issued a circular under which all lights were turned off between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m. but the tenants continued to pay the fixed electric charges till February 1944 when the General Secretary of the Bombay Tenants' Association wrote to the landlord complaining of the discontinuance of electricity at night and stating that as the landlord had thereby increased the standard rent, the tenants were entitled to deduct from the rent the fixed charge of Rs. 6 or Rs. 9 for six months (at the monthly rate of Re 1) or Rs. 1/8) for electricity.

Following this advice some of the tenants including the respondent, deducted this fixed electric charge of Rs. 6 or Rs. 9 from the next month's rent. The landlord thereupon sued in the court of Small Causes to eject those tenants. Relying on the decision of the High Court in Civil Revision Application No. 140 of 1944, the Small Causes Court refused to make an order in ejectment on the ground that there being a bona fide dispute regarding the standard rent, the tenants must be deemed to have been ready and willing to pay it. The landlord thereupon approached the High Court in Revision.

His lordship stated that electric charges were not necessarily part of rent (22 Bom L. R. 910) and in the present case under the terms of tenancy they were separate. There could not therefore be said to be a bona fide dispute with regard to the standard rent, and it could not be said that the tenants were ready and willing to pay the full standard rent as held by the trial Court. Even assuming that by reason of the general reduction in amenities there had indirectly been an increase of standard rent, the proper course for the tenants was to go to Court and get a declaration that the standard rent had been increased by so much. Without having the figure ascertained in that way, the tenants had no right to deduct from the standard rent whatever sum they thought fit.

His lordship therefore allowed the revision application and passed an order of ejectment against the respondent-tenant requiring him to vacate by 31st May 1947.

Mr. K. M. Munshi with Mr. P. H. Dalal and J. G. Rele appeared for the applicant-landlord.

Mr. V. G. Dalvi with Mr. C. M. Bhiwandiwalla appeared for the respondent-tenant.

Judge Windham who was kidnapped recently by Palestin Jewish terrorists seen with his wife after he was released b the Jewish terrorists

'Cantonal' Modification Of Morrison Plan

British Cabinet Approves New Proposals For Palestine

LONDON, Feb. 7. (Reuter): The British Cabinet this morning approved new proposals for Palestine.

Both Jewish and Arabs leaders expect to learn the details of the plan either this afternoon or after the Sabbath finishes tomorrow evening.

It is hoped that Arabs will be able to give full consideration to the plan early enough for a session of the Palestine Conference to be summoned for Monday.

It is understood that the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, and the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech-Jones, called Jewish Agency leaders together last night to enable the British Government to confirm Jewish views on subsidiary issues arising out of the new plan, but the plan itself was not disclosed.

The impression left with the Jewish delegates, however, was still that it would involve a "cantonal" modification of the Morrison plan which would be unacceptable to the Jews, who would regard it little better than the 'status quo' unless it clearly pointed towards free immigration and ultimate establishment of a Jewish State.

The Arabs are equally likely to refuse to consider a cantonal plan.

TO IMPOSE SETTLEMENT

The Associated Press of America adds:—

Government sources said it was likely that Arab delegates to the official Palestine Conference would meet Bevin and Creech-Jones once again on Monday and because of their "uncompromising opposition" to any further Jewish immigration, the talks would probably dissolve immediately.

Earlier this week a Whitehall informant told the Associated Press of America that the British Government had already accepted the principle of imposing a settlement in the Holy Land whether the local committee accepted the situation or not.

BRITISH EVACUATION COMPLETED

JERUSALEM, Feb. 7. (A.P.A.): The evacuation of British women and children and nonessential males has been completed with the transfer of 1,396 families and a small number of Men, British military authorities announced here today. The total does not include some families who were evacuated by plane to the United Kingdom.

A few people in hospitals and too ill to travel will be evacuted later.

GRONER TO APPEAL TO PRIVY COUNCIL

LONDON, Feb. 7. (A.P.A.): A London legal firm announced today that it would seek to carry to the Privy Council, Britain's highest tribunal, an appeal, from the death sentence imposed on Dov. Groner, convicted member of the Palestine Irgun Zavi Leumi.

The lawyers said that authorisation to seek a Privy Council hearing was given by the convicted man by his uncle, Frank Gruner, but that Dov Groner himself had not signed any appeal request.

The procedure will be to petition the Council for permission to appeal.

REFUSE TO RETURN TO PALESTINE

ROME, Feb. 7. (Reuter): Thirty-five Jews who arrived at Genoa last night from Tel Aviv aboard a steamer declared their refusal to return to Palestine which they had left without obtaining Italian visas, said a Genoa despatch to the newspaper "Messaggero".

JEWS GO AHEAD

JERUSALEM Feb. 7. (Reuter): At dawn today young Jews began building three new settlements in the barren Negrab area of southern Palestine, authoritative Jewish sources stated today.

Twenty-four young settlers of the Orthodox Zionist Labour movement staked out their three communal settlements.

Death Of London's Oldest Man

LONDON, Feb. 7 (U.P.A.): John Masters, aged 102—London's oldest man—died today. At the outbreak of the war he tried to enlist giving his age as 80 although he was 95.

Pt. Vasudev Shastri Dead

(From Our Correspondent.)

POONA, Feb. 7: Pandit Vasudev Shastri Mandle, ex-Editor of "Brahmanpatrika" and foremost political writer of the last generation expired early this morning in Poona. He was 67 at the time of his death. Senapati Bapat, Mahamahopadhya, B. V. Potdar and a few others attended the funeral.

BAREILLY, Feb. 7. (A. P. I.): Bricks were thrown on a Barawafat procession here on Wednesday night, as a result of which two persons were injured and admitted to hospital, states a Press Note issued by the District Magistrate, Bareilly.

Assembly Questions

Getting Secrets Out Of Soviet Republic Not So Easy

Rajaji Explains Why No Scientific Mission Has Gone To Russia

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7 (A.P.I.): Mr. K. L. Panjabi, Food Secretary, said in the Central Assembly today in reply to Mr. Ahmed Jaffer that approximately 159 million people were subject to the rationing of cereals in India.

The basic cereal ration in all the provinces was twelve ozs. per adult per day with a supplementary ration of four ozs. per head per day for defined heavy manual workers.

Children got half the adult basic cereal ration. This scale was determined by supplies available for distribution and until they improved, an increase in the basic ration could not be considered.

Mr. Manu Subedar: Have Government considered the desirability of supplementing the rations by making available to the public about 40,000 tons of undisposed surplus food stocks of the American and Indian armies? These stocks, I understand, are being offered to the U. K.

Mr. Panjabi: Surplus food stocks are available to all the consumers and it is only proposed to offer H. M. G. what cannot be consumed in this country.

Mr. Sri Prakasa: In view of the fact that there is no rationing of meat, will he consider the desirability of giving higher rations for pure vegetarians like me (laughter)?

Ans: No.

Replying to Diwan Chamanlal, Mr. Panjabi said that avenues for getting additional foodgrains were being explored.

India expected from abroad about 700,000 tons of foodgrains during the first three months of 1947. We had no allotment from Canada but had made urgent representations to the Canadian Government for supplies. Representations had been made continuously to secure early shipment of our quota from the U. S. A.

Mr. Manu Subedar: Is it a fact that we buy Burma rice at very heavy prices as compared with local and prevailing prices in Rangoon while we supply cloth to Burma at controlled prices?

Mr. Panjabi: I will look into that.

ORDER FOR 21 UNITS OF CEMENT MACHINERY

Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, Member for Industries and Supplies, said in reply to Seth Govind Das that licences had so far been given for 27 units of cement machinery. Of these, orders had been placed for 21 units—four in the U. K. one in U.S.A. ten in Denmark and six in India.

In reply to another question Mr. Rajagopalachari said that the establishment of Liaison officers on full time tenure in the U.K., U.S.A., and the U.S.S.R. was under consideration.

Seth Govind Das: Why is it that so far no scientific mission has gone to Russia?

Mr Rajagopalachari: It is an interesting question but everybody is aware of the difficulties in getting any secrets out of the Soviet Republic.

Prof. Ranga asked whether the Liaison officers would be Indians or non-Indians.

Mr. Rajagopalachari was heard to say that they must first be competent men, whether they were Indians or others.

Prof. Ranga (with some vehemence): Is it not the policy of Government to give first preference to Indians?

Mr. Rajagopalachari: I have already said that liaison officers have not been set up and it is premature to talk of who will be given preference.

LONDON GETS MILK CHEAPER THAN DELHI

Sir Pheroze Kharegat, Secretary for Agriculture, said in reply to Seth Govind Das that the price of milk in London was three shillings per gallon (three annas two pies per lb.) while the price in Delhi was from four to five annas per lb.

The price of milk was controlled only in certain areas in the Punjab and Bombay, apart from the centrally administered areas. Government had no information that these controls had been unsuccessful in the absence of adequate control of fodder prices.

"MADRAS TEXTILE POLICY WRONG"

Questions relating to the Madras Government's textile policy were asked in the Central Assembly today.

Seth Govind Das asked whether it was a fact, as reported in certain sections of the Press, that the Government of India did not propose to cancel as recommended by the Madras Government the licences given to various cotton manufacturers in Madras for importing loom and spindles.

Mr. Rajagopalachari, Member for Industries and Supplies: Yes.

Seth Govind Das: In view of the above would the quota of looms and spindles allotted to Madras Province for postwar cotton textile development be consumed by that Province as originally proposed?

Mr. Rajagopalachari: This, it is believed, will follow.

Prof. N. G. Ranga: Is the Government of India aware of the statement made by the Madras Premier that he contests the legality of the claims made by the millowners and also the decision taken by the Government of India?

Ans: No statement has been officially received but it may have been in the Press. I believe that contention will not have much favour in the Government of India.

Prof. Ranga: Does it mean that the Government of India and the Madras Government will go to the Federal Court?

Ans: It means that the stand of the Madras Government is altogether wrong in this matter.

Mr. Sri Prakasa: Will he declare the areas occupied by these mills as centrally administered areas in Madras if the Madras Government resists? (Laughter).

Mr. Rajagopalachari: It will not be possible but I do not think that there will be a war over this matter. (laughter).

D. F. Karaka:

Off My Chest

Journalism has always been a tricky business but of late it is becoming somewhat complicated for journalists as well as readers.

Yesterday morning's "Chronicle" carried on the front page a Reuter message about Turkish Wheat for India. The message was a London message dated Feb. 6.

It read: "Reuter: The first 25,000 tons of wheat to be shipped from Turkey will go to India as a result of talks in London during the last few days, it is learned from well-informed sources.

Sir Robert Hutchings, Secretary to the Food Department of the Government of India, new to London from New Delhi last week-end for these talks aimed at relieving the serious food situation in India. Sir Robert Hutchings is continuing his talks with the scene and have since been patrolling the area".

Let Sir Robert continue his talks with the scene!

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I have just seen the glamor-picture of the Hutheesinghs in New York which found front-page in the "Sentinel" of yesterday. The Americans have obviously made amazing strides in photography.

The caption tells us that the couple were photographed "in their room at the Drake Hotel, Park Avenue, New York."

We look forward to Mr. Hutheesingh's next lecture (in India) on this "Socialist Experiment in the U.S."

Ah well!

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I have received numerous letters from readers to uphold my earlier column regarding the loss of magazines. The Post Master General should make some sort of public statement on this matter. He is a Government servant, and a servant of the people. Here is a just grievance for which people are demanding a quick remedy. His Majesty's Mail is being tampered with, magazines are being STOLEN and found in little shops in Kalbadevi and elsewhere. It is regrettable that the Post Master General should be reticent to explain this state of affairs.

In India today, we cannot tolerate this shilly-shallying to continue. The people must be SERVED and if Government servants don't know the meaning of SERVICE they should be taught it and quickly.

At present, there are innumerable complaints to say that NO SATISFACTORY ANSWER is received from the Post Offices on the ground that the packages were not registered. Does the Post Master General maintain that if a package or letter is not registered it must run the risk of being stolen?

19 ROUNDED UP FOR STABBING

BOMBAY, Friday.

"Nineteen persons were rounded up in connection with the stabbing incident which occurred in Lal Baug area on Friday evening," says a Communique issued by the Director of Publicity.

The Communique adds: "The incident was a case of mistaken identity. Another knife-attack occurred in the Parel area."

"The Commissioner of Police, Mr. Caffin, visited the scene of the two knife attacks of yesterday and ordered the arrest of a few suspects and imposition of a heavy fine on the residents of the localities."

MORE COLLECTIVE FINES

Further collective fines in connection with the disturbances in Bombay city have been levied on the tenants occupying rooms in the following buildings:—

1. Rs. 420/- Sanghvi Sadan, 263-279 Sandhurst Road West, Girgaum.
2. Rs. 270/- Medina Mansion, Govindji Keni Road, Parel, Bhoiwada.
3. Rs. 520/- (i) Khatri Koyalwalla Building, (ii) Ganpat Niva, and (iii) Javer Niwas Govindji Keni Cross Lane, Parel, Bhoiwada.
4. Rs 1,095/- Deen Buildings (Municipal Nos. 311 to 315, 317 to 321, 317A and 315A) DeLisle Road, Lower Parel.
5. Rs. 1,080/- Coronation Building 'C' Block, (ii) Bilas Bhuwan, (iii) Shrinivas Building and (iv) Anant Terrace, Vithalbhai Patel Road, C. P. Tank.

Light Of Asia

Of late the tendency is growing for 'interpreters' to represent the 'supreme mystic' Buddha as a Nihilist of the Nietzsche brand. The next issue of the Bombay Chronicle Weekly contains a rebuttal of this erroneous and rather iron thesis by K. D. Sethna.

From Brindisi To Berlin

Actually the trek started from Benghazi for it was there that the author was taken prisoner by Rommel's panzers.

Perhaps this prisoner's travelogue may hold the clue as to why so many of the Indian prisoners, were more than willing to join the cause of Netaji and the Azad Hind Fouj.

The Unchivalrous Swiss

The males of Switzerland though they speak in three tongues are united in one thing, to keep Eve away from elections! The cynics find in it the reason why that little State is politically the most stable of all European countries!

Bombay Art Society's Exhibition Pictures

BOMBAY CHRONICLE WEEKLY

Sunday Feb. 9.

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BIG FINANCE CRASHES INTO FILM INDUSTRY

Great International Films Herald New Era

By "Sardi"

In the economy of our country, the Indian film industry has for long taken about the eighth place, paying handsome revenue to the Central Government for import duties on raw and exposed films, to the Central Exchequer, through railways, as films travel the length and breadth of the country, and again to the Central Government by way of income-tax. In addition, the industry employs literally thousands of persons. Despite these facts which enhance the importance of the industry, few of our prominent businessmen and industrialists have, heretofore, cared to finance the industry.

BIG DEAL EXPLAINED

Now, however, the position is fast changing and the industry has begun to attract many well-known magnates of the business world. The latest such personality to step into the film world is SETH KESHAVDEO PODDAR who has placed himself at the financing helm of GREAT INTERNATIONAL FILMS LTD.

An erroneous impression has gained currency that UDAY SHANKAR'S KALPANA has been sold for Rs. 30 Lakhs. **Careful inquiry into the matter, reveals that Seth Keshavdeo Poddar has acquired, for the colossal price mentioned, the rights and interests of Sir Chinubhai Madhaowlal as financing partner of "Kalpana" fast nearing completion at the Gemini Studios, Madras.** When the film is actually sold to a distributing firm, it is expected to fetch a far more fabulous sum than thirty lakhs—probably even one crore!

It speaks much for the fore-sight of Seth Poddar that, despite the present slump in the film industry, he has been shrewd enough to recognize the merits of Shankar's "Kalpana", which, on a recent visit to Madras, he had occasion to see at a private trial.

NEW HIGH

Thirty lakhs for the acquisition of the financial partnership in a film most certainly hits a new high in the screen business world. This venture is said to be a mere stepping-stone for Seth Poddar's wider activities, later, in the industry.

Great International Films Ltd., already floated, will, with its vast financial resources, operate in the fields of production, distribution and exhibition, extending the latter to the exploitation of our films in foreign countries. The Company, already registered in Bombay, promises to herald in the dawn of a new era of prosperity for Indian films.

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Shankar and Amala Devi in "Kalpana".

CURRENT PHOTOPLAYS

Rehana in "Pool"

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Minerva

ADIB—STAR AND WRITER

Prem Pictures' KASAM marks Prem Adib's debut as a story-teller in addition to his well-made reputation as one of the foremost of our screen stars.

"Kasam" depicts the affairc of an aristocratic family of Lahore. It contains pleasing sets and colourful costumes. Opposite Prem Adib is Najma in the female lead.

Directed by M. D. Baig, the film contains Sajjad Hussein's songs.

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HAMARA SCREEN

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Swastik

PRABHAKAR PICTURE

Shanta Apte and Prithviraj head the cast of VALMIKI which enters its fourth week today.

A picturesque chapter from mythology is the basis of this screen drama. The sets and costumes are colourful, as befitting the subject.

The musical score of Shakerao Vyas and the lyrics of Mahesh Gupta are to be found in this film made under the baton of Bhal Pendharkar, with Baburao Pendharkar and Pratima Devi in character roles.

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Imperial

SCREEN PARABLE

Reminiscent of "Hum Ek Hain" is the theme of Rajlaxmi's POOL (The Bridge) which preaches the gospel of unity through a rural allegory.

The wiles of an outsider cause disruption among the inhabitants df a peaceful village. When, however, the villagers realise how the common foe has imperilled their welfare by sowing the seeds of dissension, they join in standing abreast against him.

Rehana and Biman Bannerji share stellar honours with Balraj Mehte, Vikram Kapoor, E. Billimoria and Maya Devi in support.

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City Light (Matunga)

ROMANCE OF ARABY

Back again to delight the hearts of romantic picture goers is Hind Pictures' two-year old hit LAILA-MAJNU.

The photoplay unfolds, with poignancy, the drama of two lovers whose hearts were atuned in childhood, throbbed for each other in youth, and, due to an ill-starred fate, were united only in death.

Nazir and Swarnalata bring warmth and ardour to their roles. K. N. Singh is suitably stern as the Emir who keeps them apart.

Beautifully set, with lilting songs and fine acting, I have very pleasant recollections of this picture, and therefore recommend it strongly to young and old.

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Majestic

FROM THE NORTH

SEHER SE DUR comes to us from the North Indian studio of Pancholi. Comparing it to previous Pancholi pictures, this one is less lavish and certainly less 'boosted.'

A modern romance forms the core of the story which has Al Nasir and Meena as the lovers. Durga Mota of the surplus weight staggers ponderously through a comedy role.

"Seher Se Dur" was directed by Barkhat Mehra.

Prem Adib in "Kasam"

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NOTE

Publicity departments are requested to send all material to this office by the evening of THURSDAY, at the latest each week.

In the case of new releases, publicists will kindly mention tthe EXACT DATE of release instead of using such vague terms as "this Friday" or "next Saturday"—a procedure which leads to confusion and mis-information, for which publicists themselves must bear the responsibility.

—SARDI.

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Searchlight On The All-India Film Conference

IX: Exhibition (Contd. From Last Week)

(By "SARDI")

A study of the exhibition side of films, reveals the sad fact that the exhibitor is not always very co-operative with the producer. Even if a picture is a financial flop, the exhibitor demands a gain though this may entail a heavy loss on the producer.

SYMPATHY NECESSARY

No film-maker ever deliberately makes a bad picture. When, therefore, a film turns out to be a failure, the exhibitor should not make exorbitant demands on the producer; but when a picture goes down well, he may claim his fair share of the gain.

Exhibitors often flatly refuse to show a film that, due to various reasons, is not as good as it might have been. This should not happen, for, however bad a film, the producer has to make up atleast part of the money invested therein, and it is only right to expect the exhibitor to help him out by showing his picture, particularly if the same exhibitor has, in the past, gained, or hopes in the future to gain a profit by exhibiting the same producer's goods.

CO-OPERATE

There is need for more co-operation between producers and exhibitors, and this can best be brought about by an intermediate party, viz., the distributor, with whose duties I shall deal next week.

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LITERACY DRIVE

"Utho Jago" Clicks

Ratnakar Production's UTHO JAGO, produced by the well-known dancer SHAHZADI, was exhibited as part of the Literacy Week campaign. It is reported to have culled praise from the City Adult Education Committee who described it as a picture eminently suited for conveying to the public the importance of mass education.

The producers are said to have received a letter of appreciation of the film from MR. MANGALDAS PAKVASA, the President of the Bombay Legislative Council, and Vice President of the Literacy Committee, who expressed the hope that more such pictures would, in future, be produced.

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Ellen Wilkinson Dead

LONDON, Feb. 6, (APA): The death occurred today of Miss Ellen Wilkinson, the British Minister of Education.

The peppery, red-haired stormy petrol of the Labour Party was 49. Death was attributed to a heart attack.

Her death was the first in Prime Minister Attlee's Cabinet since its formation in 1945.

Born in industrial Manchester, Ellen Wilkinson, before she arrived at Cabinet rank, was a school teacher, trade union organizer, politician, novelist and an ardent worker in the suffrage movement.

Dubbed "mighty atom", 'Miss Perky', and 'Red Ellen' — because of her auburn hair — Miss Wilkinson had all the fire and aggressiveness that her nicknames imply.

Friends said the secret of her success was that she did not mind hard work. Though fiery in controversy, she was quiet and amiable in private life — an avid reader and chess player.

From the age of 11 she earned her education by scholarships. She trained for the teaching profession, as a student of the Manchester University, where she earned her Master of Arts degree.

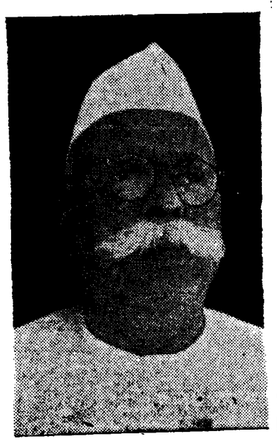
She first entered Parliament in 1924 as Labour Member for East Middlesbrough. Defeated in the 1931 general election by a Liberal, she was returned to Parliament from Jarrow in 1935. She was Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Home Security during the war.

Miss Wilkinson was a member of the National Executive Committee of the Labour Party and chairman of the Labour Party conference of 1945. Her last important assignment before her appointment to head the Ministry of Education was as a delegate to the United Nations conference in San Francisco.

SIND ASSEMBLY BUDGET SESSION

KARACHI, Feb. 7 (A.P.I.): The budget session of the Sind Legislative Assembly, which opens at 2-30 p.m. on February 17, will last till the end of March. The budget for 1947-48 will be presented to the house on March 1.

The presentation of an address and casket to and unveiling of the portrait of Dr. J. N. Karande, M.D., F.C.P.S., ex-Offg. Principal, National Medical College, Bombay, in appreciation of his valuable services to the College were performed on the 30th January. Photo shows Dr. Karande speaking on the occasion. To his left is Dr. M. Venkatrao, who presided and unveiled the portrait.



Seth Shivdas Daga, M.L.A. (Central), of Raipur, C.P., who received a number of blows when he was assaulted on public highway in broad daylight.

KANARA-MYSORE RAIL LINK MOVE

MADRAS, Feb. 7 (A.P.I.): The Minister for Agriculture Mr. P. S. Kumaraswami Raja, told the Madras Assembly today during question time that he was bringing pressure on the Central Government to link South Kanara with the northern parts of the Mysore State and Goa by opening following new railway lines: Mangalore-Hasan; Mangalore-Arsale in the Shimoga-Sagar line; Mangalore-Shimoga; Mangalore-Bhatkal; and Sirisi Hubli.

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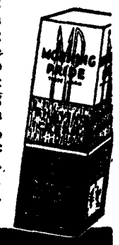

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Railway Board And All-India Railway's Federation Meet

NEW DELHI, Feb. 6 (A.P.I.): The twenty-fifth half-yearly meeting between the Railway Board and the All-India Railwaymen's Federation took place to-day, says a 'communique'. The deputation from the federation was led by Mr. S. Guruswami, General Secretary and included 23 representatives from certain Unions affiliated to the Federation.

In welcoming the representatives of the Federation to the meeting, the Chief Commissioner emphasised that the need for co-operation between the Railway Board, railway administration and the Unions was greater today than ever before. The great task before the administrations and the Unions was to get the staff to give a full day's work for a full day's pay. He hoped that with the assistance of the Federation the position will have improved before the next meeting. He further hoped that as a result of the Pay Commission's recommendations and the adjudicator's award, Government will be in a position to offer conditions of service to the large community of railwaymen which will leave them to excuse for not putting their whole heart into their work and thus maintain the operation of railways at a high level

7 Railwaymen's Leaders Arrested

NEW DELHI, Feb. 6, (API): Seven Trade Union leaders were arrested by the Delhi police tonight after the day's session of the General Council of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation, in connection with the disturbances created at its meeting yesterday. They include Mirza Ibrahim, D. S. Vaidya, F. E. Qurban, Vice-Presidents of the Federation and four other delegates of the N. W. R. Union

Today's session of the Council by a resolution warned the Government of the delay in the publication of the Adjudication and the Pay Commission reports and decided to convene a Convention of the Federation at Calcutta in April to consider the Government's attitude in respect of them.

LIMIT PRESIDENCY TO TWO 4-YEAR TERMS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6. (U.P.A.): The House of Representatives to-day passed by a vote of 285 to 121 a legislation proposing a constitutional amendment which would limit the Presidency to two four-year terms. The measure now goes to the Senate. If passed in the Upper House it would require ratification by the Legislatures of three-fourths of the 48 states before becoming part of the Constitution.

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Occupation Forces Accused Of Extravagance

SYDNEY, Feb. 6, (Reuter): Mr. C. Chambers, the Australian Army Minister, has criticised the British commonwealth army in Japan for extravangance, according to the Canberra correspondent of the "Sydney Daily Telegraph"

Mr. Chambers accused the British Commonwealth occupation force authorities of:

Firstly, extravagant use of local resources and expenditure of the yen provided by the Japanese Government.

Secondly, unreasonably high demands for Japanese labour for menial tasks and general duties.

Thirdly, failure to stamp out the black market.

Fourthly, neglect of spiritual and moral welfare in some areas.

Mr. Chambers was quoted as saying that the extravagance of British commonwelth occupation force authorities might harm the ultimae transactions on reparations with the United States authorities in Japan.

SOUTH SEAS COMMISSION

CANBERRA, Feb. 6. (U.P.A.): Australia, New Zealand, the Netherlands, Britain, the United States and France to-day signed an agreement establishing a South Seas Commission to give a new deal to the natives of the Pacific under their administration.

Temporary headquarters will be established at Sydney. An initial fund of £45,000 has been set up.

Australia will contribute 30 per cent France and the United States 12 1/2 per cent and the Netherlands, New Zealand and Britain 15 per cent each.

The conference at its final plenary session adopted a resolution calling for a comprehensive research programme into native welfare, trade and economics by the Commission. The Commission, however, will be purely consultative and advisory to the Governments and will co-operate to the maximum with the United Nations.

The plenary also agreed to improve labour conditions in accordance with the International Labour Organization recommendations.

The Commission was told by Australia's Dr. Herbert Evatt that "we are not met in the spirit of aggrandisment or to form an agreement directed against anyone nor to carve up any one territory. Our sole aim is to improve the islands' peoples who are yet unable to do so themselves."

Ceylon Govt. Lifts Embargo On Forward Contracts For Tea

COLOMBO, Feb. 5. (A.P.I.): Ceylon Government's embargo on forward contracts and private sales of tea outside Colombo auctions was lifted from to-day following conference this morning between Minister of Agriculture Mr. D. S. Senanayake, Finance Secretary Sir Oliver Goonetilleke and representatives of the trade. The decision will mean that any Ceylon company sterling or otherwise can sell its tea to the British Ministry if the terms offered by the latter are satisfactory to the company concerned.

It is generally expected in commercial circles here that companies would do business with U. K. at level of four pence in addition to last year's prices exclusive of export duty of 38 cents British Ministry will thus be able to get Ceylon tea on an average less than three shillings per pound.

It is pointed out in authoritative circles here that the decision to lift the embargo on forward contract does not mean any reversal of Ceylon Government's earlier decision not to bulksell any part of the island's tea production and it is reiterated that Ceylon Government has not been in receipt of any proposal from other than last November's offer for one year bulk purchase contract at higher prices which was turned down by Sir Oliver who was then n London. Australian Tea Commissioner Mr. H. Bennett who is at persent here has been in the market for some days in order to secure forwards contracts for supplies required by the dominion

U. S. AMBASSADOR TO BRITAIN DEAD

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6, (APA): Mr. Max Gardner, the new United States Ambassador to Britain, died in New York today a he was about to leave for London.

The White House, announcing the death, said it was due to coronary thrombosis.

He was 64. He was known as an exponent of "enlightened capitalism." He was named to succeed Averell Harriman as Ambassador a month ago after Harriman became Secretary of Commerce.

Kripalani Begins All-India Tour From Bihar

HUMRI TELAIYA, (Bihar) Feb. 5, Acharya Kripalani Congress President accompanied by his wife arrived here today and began his sixteen-day tour of the province. The Congress President and party were received at the Kodarma station by Prof. Abdul Bari President of the Provincial Congress and other Congress executive of the B.P.C.C. and Mr. Krishna Ballabh Sahay, Revenue Minister, Bihar.

Addressing a public meeting here later at which addresses of welcome on behalf of the citizens of Humri Telaiya were presented to the Congress President, Acharya Kripalani said that he had begun his tour of India as Congress President from Bihar, because Bihar had a special place in his heart.

He considered himself a Bihari and had served two terms of imprisonment in the provincial jails. Swaraj, he said did not mean having Congress Governments in provinces or at the centre but thorough reconstruction of the life of the people.

GANDHIJI WATCHING BIHAR SITUATION

PATNA, Feb. 6 (API.) Mahatma Gandhi keeps a very watchful eye on Bihar and devotes sufficient time everyday to the problem of the province arising out of the recent communal disturbances and is in constant touch with the Bihar Government about them, stated Mr. Jadubans Sahay, M.L.A. and a member of the Constituent Assembly, who is acting as the representative of the Bihar Government to Mahatma Gandhi in East Bengal, in an interview to the A.P.I. today.

Assam P. C. C. Ratifies It

GAUHATI, Feb. 6 (A. P. I): An emergent meeting of the Assam P. C. C. to-day ratified its Working Committee's resolution of January 17 whereby the latter had reaffirmed the mandate given by the Assam Assembly to the Constituent Assembly members in regard to sections and the grouping issue. Maulana Md. Tasebulla presided and the main resolution was moved by Mr. Gopinath Bardoloi who urged that there should be complete unanimity among the people of Assam.

Mr. Bardoloi said that he was perfectly prepared to sit in the section of the Muslim League, on its part, reciprocated, in the same way as the Congress had done, by altering its attitude towards the Constituent Assembly.

Political Prisoners Treated As "Special Class"

MADRAS, Feb. 6, (A.P.I.): Classification of political prisoners into different divisons according to their status in life had been abolished in the presidency and they were all treated as "special class" prisoners, said the Law Member Mr. K. Bashyam answering a question in the Madras Assembly today.

The Minister added that all persons recently arrested under the Madras Public Safety Ordinance were treated as special class prisoners.

To a further question the Minister said that altogether there were 13,755 prisoners in the province on January 1 this year but the exact figure of political prisoners had not been ascertained.

BUENOS AIRES STORM KILLS NINE

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 6. (U.P.A.): At least nine were killed and 36 injured when a violent wind and rainstorm struck the Buenos Aires area shortly after midnight on Wednesday. It was feared that the death toll will be greater when communications are re-established and final reports come in.

At one p.m. to-day communications were renewed with Mendoza and Rosario but the remainder of the country was cut off due to storm damage.

German Generals On Trial In Belgrade

BELGRADE, Feb. 6. (U.P.A.): The atrocity trial of eight high German officers, headed by Austrian-born General Alexander Von Loehr, opened before the Supreme Military Tribunal to-day.

Loehr, who pleaded guilty to some charges in the indictment, was supreme commander in south-east Europe and directed the bombing of Belgrade on April 19, 1941.

Opening session was taken up with reading the individual indictments charging numerous atrocities against the Yugoslav people and beginning von Loehr's examination.

Others on trial include General Fritz Heusoldet, a member of the German military mission to China in 1935, General Joseph Kibler Commander of the 118 German Hunters' Division which invaded Yugoslavia, General Hans Fortner and General August Schmidturber.

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British Chief In Germany Snubs Russia

Feels Dissatisfied With The Tone Of German Press Under Russian Control

BERLIN, February 6. (Reuter): Lieut.-Gen. Sir Brian Robertson, British Deputy Military Governor in Germany, bluntly told Russian members of the Allied Control Council that he was dissatisfied with the tenor of the German press under Soviet control and that Britain would not be bludgeoned into accepting ideas by any campaign of "vilification".

Gen. Robertson—Britain's "business man General", who was once a rubber magnate—delivered his statement at a meeting of the Co-ordinating Committee of the Control Council yesterday

The statement arose from the publication recently of a sharp attack on the Control Council by Marshal Sokolovsky, Soviet Commander-in-Chief in Germany, who said that Britain and the United States were "endeavouring to thwart" the preparation of a report on Germany for the Big Four Foreign Ministers when they meet in Moscow next month.

ROBERTSON'S STATEMENT.

Gen. Robertson's statement contained reaffirmation of British desire for early settlement of the German problem and a warning that the British would defend themselves against any continuation of attacks on western allies in the Soviet licensed German press.

His information was that the Soviet licensed German paper which published Marshal Sokolovsky's statement had obtained it from the Soviet press.

Gen. Robertson said that he appreciated the steps taken by Gen. Kurochkin, Soviet representative on the Co-ordinating Committee, to deal with the matter once it had appeared in the German press but he added that day by day he read articles in the same German press attacking the administration in the British and United States Zones.

It was difficult to believe that all these attacks were spontaneous expressions of German feeling, he said.

Such state of affairs gave him a feeling of pessimism as to the outcome of the forthcoming discussions in Moscow, the statement said.

The British Government had their own ideas in demanding a just, practicable and reasonable German settlement. They did not expect those ideas would be accepted completely but, on the other hand, they would not be bludgeoned into accepting the ideas of others by any campaign of vilification.

"PRAVDA" PUBLISHES IT

Marshal Sokolovsky's statement, which is the subject of Gen. Robertson's reply, was cabled to Moscow from Berlin on January 26, six days after it was made and appeared in "Pravda", organ of the Soviet Communist Party, and other Soviet newspapers.

Russian action in publicising Marshal Sokolovsky's charges is interpreted in allied political quarters here as part of a campaign of "jockeying for position" before the German question is examined in Moscow.

The French representative presided over yesterday's meeting of the Co-ordinating Committee and took no part in the discussion. The meeting was long and lively.

Gen. Kurochkin gave an attentive hearing to Gen. Robertson's statement and told the meeting that the German editors concerned had been rebuked.

LONDON, Feb. 7 (Reuter): The British decision to publish the text of the protest delivered in the Allied Control Council in Berlin by the British representative, Sir Brian Robertson, against Soviet action in publishing in the German Press Marshal Sokolovsky's recent diatribe against British and United States attitude on the Control Council's report to the conference of Foreign Ministers, is regarded here as a deliberate move to restore inter-allied co-operation on the German question, writes Sylvain Mangeot, Reuter's diplomatic correspondent.

Gen. Robertson's affirmation that "we want to co-operate with our Allies in reaching a settlement" undoubtedly reflects Mr. Bevin's approach to the coming conference. His whole statement in the Control Council meeting which is believed to have been delivered in a language even more emphatic than that of the official communique from Berlin, is seen here as a vigorous appeal to Russia not to spoil the prospects of accord in Moscow by such accusations and recriminations.

USUAL PREPARATIONS

Observers who attended previous Big Four Conferences recall that Russian propaganda offensives of a similar kind have preceded each meeting. These campaigns have led to pessimistic allied forecasts of the chances of reaching an agreement and these in turn have been castigated in Moscow as attempts of the Press in Britain and America to sabotage the conferences in advance.

At the conclusion of the conferences where any Big Four agreement has been reached, the Soviet Press and radio commentators have again scolded their allied opposite numbers by declaring that despite their attempts to wreck the conferences Soviet policy has triumphed in achieving decisions based on the four-power agreement.

In view of this repeated technique, British official opinion tends to discount the more violent Soviet criticisms as a well established "softening up" process. But when the charge of seeking to wreck the Moscow conference was preferred by so highly placed an official as Marshal Sokolovsky against his own American and British colleagues on the Control Council, it was felt that it could not be unchallenged.

Voluntary Absence Of Leaguers Cannot Invalidate Constitution

Venkatarama Sastri Explains Jinnah's Illusion

MADRAS, Feb. 6. (A.P.I.): Mr. T. R. Venkatarama Sastri, President of the All-India Liberal Federation, in a statement to the press says if the Muslim League does not revise its stand, the Constituent Assembly will have no option but to go ahead and frame a just constitution which cannot be rejected merely on the ground of the voluntary absence of the League members from the Assembly.

Mr. Sastri says: "The Muslim League has decided to keep out of the Constituent Assembly and play an essentially obstructive role. No attempt at clarification is of any use, for clarification is treated only as a fresh opportunity for discovering new points of difference to justify keeping out. The postponement by Mr. Jinnah of the meeting of the League to a late date in January was only for finding new points against the Constituent Assembly in their proceedings and decisions in the interval.

He adds: "If the English papers are any guide to English opinion, the A.I.C.C.'s statement of January six is treated as acceptance of the Cabinet interpretation of December six. The "Times" characterised the additions as mere face-saving statements to satisfy their own followers.

JINNAH'S LAST HOPE.

I wonder whether Mr. Jinnah rests his hopes on the last sentence in the Cabinet Statement which has been widely misunderstood in this country. It as only an answer to the Congress that, if they supported the claim of a province to decline to observe the prescribed procedure the Cabinet Mission cannot compel an unwilling party or province or area to accept the constitution framed. It did not mean that a constitution framed in full compliance with the prescribed procedure could be rejected by the Muslim League or will be refused recognition by His Majesty's Government.

Mr. Sastri concludes: "If the Muslim League does not revise its stand, the Constituent Assembly will have no option but to go on. A just constitution will be framed, I am sure, but the presence of the League will enable the Constituent Assembly to study their reaction to each proposal in detail and meet it as far as possible. A just constitution cannot be rejected merely on the ground of the voluntary absence of the League members from the Assembly."

EASIER TENDENCY ON CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA, Feb. 7.

The Calcutta Stock Exchange today ruled easier in general and only a moderate business recorded. The following are today's final transactions up to 2.00 p.m.

GOVT. SECURITIES: 3 p.c. Govt. paper 101/11 3 p.c. defence loan 49/52 102/4 Sl. 3 p.c. loan 70/75 102/6 Sl. 3 p.c. loan 1986 101/13.

BANKS: Bengal Central 13/6 Hindusthan Commercial 60 Reserve Bank 140 United Commercial 110.

COTTONS: Cawnpore Textiles 11/2 Dunbar 385 Muir Mills 548 New Victoria 7/4.

COALS: Bengal 960 CT Central India 13 New Manbhoom 60/8 Pench Valley 65 South Karanpura 42/8 ex-div.

JUTES: Alliance 585 Barnagore 500 Standard 488, Waverley 151.

ENGINEERING: Braithwaite and Co., 15, Jessop and Co., 28/8, Kumardhubi Eng. 10 Marshalls 9/8 National Iron 11/12 Saran Eng. 11/10 Textile machinery 11/15.

MISCELLANEOUS: Burma corpn 4/12 Consolidated tin 3/8 Indian copper 3/13 Karanpura Dev. 60/8 Orissa minerals 15/3 Tavoy tin 3 Dalmia cement 14/8 Sone Valley 13/1 Calcutta electric 36 BIC 10/3 Bararee coke 35/6 Calcutta Trams 37 Eastern investment 264 F and C Osler 19 Hindusthan building 15/13 Indian alluminium 376 Indian National Airways 23 Martin Burn 25/12 National tobacco 53 Rohtas industry 15/15 BB Petrol 3/14 Titaghur paper 56/12 Midnapore Zemindary 136/8 Assam saws 8/8 Indian general navgn. 240 India steamship 14/5.

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TEAS: Betjan 50/4 East India 28/8 Huldibari 53/8 Tezpore 29/12 Eastern Cachar 11/15.

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CALICUT, Feb. 7.

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HAPUR, Feb. 6.

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NEW YORK SILVER UNCHANGED.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6, (U. P. A.): The price of silver remained unchanged on the New York market today, being quoted at 70-3/4 cents per ounce.

The absence of British interests in the New York market today made a noticeable difference in the volume of business transacted, although the U. S. industrial demand was reported to be as "fair". The volume of sales was estimated at approximately 200,000 ounces, but trade sources said that they missed the British buying which boosted the volume in the last few days.

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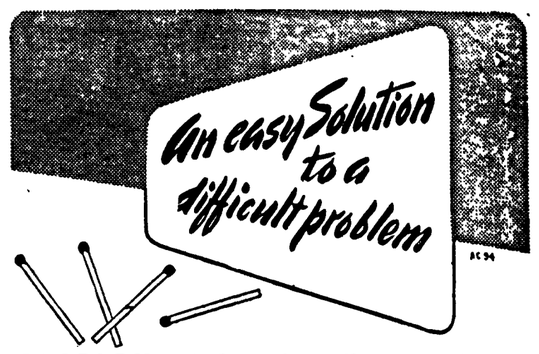

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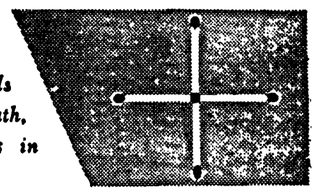

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Bullion Market Continues Firm Under Active Manipulation

BOMBAY, Feb. 7.

The Bombay Stock Exchange displayed cheerful tone at the opening on declaration one free share against holdings of 9 shares of Kohinoor and a dividend of Rs. 13. Before opening of the market, Kohinoor shares were quoted at Rs. 940 against yesterday's close at Rs. 869. The market opened to-day at Rs. 925 and under general unloading Kohinoors came down at Rs. 880. The market anticipated such an announcement and naturally those who had bought these shares at low price were tempted to secure profits after their experience in Bombay Dyeing shares.

Tata Steel Dfds. opened to-day at Rs. 2670 and improved at Rs. 2675 but declined at Rs. 2640 on renewed selling. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 484 and quietened at Rs. 481 Bombay Dyeings opened at Rs. 2847 and declined at Rs. 2822 Swadeshi Mill shares opened at Rs. 838 and declined at Rs. 828.

Later on there was further selling and Tata Steel Dfds. declined at Rs. 2632 while Ordinary shares were quoted at Rs. 478, Bombay Dyeings were done at Rs. 2622 while Kohinoors were quoted at Rs. 879. Simplex shares were quoted at Rs. 417, Associated Cements were done at Rs. 216.

There was persistent selling and the market closed at about the lowest level with weak undertone.

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B. Dyeing 2800 Century 1105 Nagpur 390 Swadeshi 814 New Great 510 Simplex 411/8 Kohinoor 867 Colaba 350 Gokak 360 Bleaching 191 Swan 446 Finlay 386 Morarji 806/4 Indore 740 Edward 720 Mayer 396/4 Apollo 4/15/6 India United Ord. 18/5 Defd. 3/15/6 Madhusudan 526 Poddar 370 Khatau 410.

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Bombay, Feb. 7.

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Apollo 5/0/6 4/15/6 5 4/14/6 4/15/6 Bharat 64/8 64/12 63/4
B. Dyeing 2845 50 22/8 30 10 21/4 20 22/8 2800
Bradbury 635
C. India 398 90 91 90 92 88 90 88 90
Century 1105
Colaba 350
E. Textile. 735 30 35 20
Elphinstone Ord 100
Finlay 400 390 93 90 94 90 84 86
Gokak 362 55 57 50
I. U. Defd 4/1 3/15/6 4 3/15/6
I. U. Ord 18/11 18/5/6 18/8 18/5 18/5/6 18/5
Indore 762/8 47/8 52/8 42/8 47/8 32/8 47/8 37/8 40
Khatau 415 10
Kohinoor 930 35 890 900 882 86 80 86 81 82 74 77 74 78 67
Laxmi Cotton 1925 10 25
Madhowji Defd 22/8 22 22/12 22/8
Meyer 285 87/8
Morarji 805 6/4
New City 800
New Great 543 28 26 8 10
Phoenix 1425 10
Podar 379
Shrinivas 470
Simplex 430 17 18/8 12 14/8 11/8
Swadeshi 842 34 35 26 30 27 30 17 21 16 18 8 14
Swan 456 43 46
Tata Mills 126 25 25/8 24/12 25 24 24/8
Vishnu 717/8 20

RAILWAYS

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BANKS

Baroda 176 78
Central 136 36/8 35/12 35/8 34 34/8 32
Imperial Old 2590 75 80 70
Imperial New 652/8 51/4
India 253 51
Reserve 140 39 40 39
Union 14 13/12
U. Commercial 109

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 170 68/12
Andhra Valley 1640 47/8 40
B. Tram Ord 118/8 19 18/8 18 18/4 17/8 18/4 18
B. Tram Pref 54/4 55 54/8
Tata Hydro 189 85
Tata Hydro Pref 145 43/2
Tata Power 1725 30 25 26/12 20
Tata Power Pref 1510 1500

INSURANCE

British India 27/8
I. Mercantile 70 68
Jupiter 39
New India 99 99/8 98 99

STEAMER

B. Steam 647/8 50
Scindhia 38/4 38/6 37/1 37/5 36/15 37/8 36/12 36/14

STEEL

B. Steel 34/4 34 34/2 33 33/2
I. Iron 43/4 42/12 42/14 42
Tata Steel Defd. 2670 35 47/8 42/8 52/8 40 42/8 25 30 10
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Tata 2nd Pref 179/8 73 73/8

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 595/4
A.C.C. Old 216/8 17/8 15/8 16/8 14/8 15 13
A.C.C. New 95 96 95
Belapur 308 298 300 293 95 90 92 90
B. E. Old 605 6/4 590 92/8 90
B. E. New 208/12 2/8 3/12 200
B. E. Petrol 4/1 4/2 4
Dharamshi Chemical 43/8
D. Construction 264 65 60 62 38
Shivrajpur 47/3 46/8
Tata Chemical 18/2 17/14 18 17/8
Tata Oil 102/8 3 1 2/8 100
Wimco 675 80 70 75 65
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Tata Steel (1st Pref.) 235 Tram 54/4 Andhra Valley 1397/8 Tata Power 1500 Hydro 145/10 Bombay Steamer 352/8 Nagpur 787/8 Swadeshi 150 Vishnu 805 Laxmi 307/8 New Great 268/12 Poddar 116 Srinivas 101 Elphinstone 136/4 Bradbury 553/12 Surat Elec. 211/4 Premier Construction (1st Pref. 153/12 (2nd Pref.) 130 Amalgamated 156/4 Habib 72 Tata Chemical 127/8 Walchand Nagar Industries 250 Jupiter 19/12 Supreme 120.

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BOMBAY, February 7.

The local Bullion Market was firm today under active manipulation by professional operators. The floating stock is held by these manipulators while the Government failed to take necessary measures of compulsory deposits to protect forward contract. Thus the market was subject to sinister manipulation and this point was often stressed. Even now it is not too late and before forward trading for the next settlement begins, all forward contracts must be made subject to margins and abolish all teji mandi business.

The market opened today at Rs. 151/- for Fagan delivery and declined at Rs 150/4 under scattered realising. At this level there was active speculative buying and Silver rose at Rs. 151/8. Ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 159/8 Gold for Fagan delivery opened at Rs. 103/8 and advanced at Rs. 104/8 but steadied at Rs. 104/6. Ready Gold was quoted at Rs. 107/-.

There was moderate realising at the rise and Fagan Silver quietened at Rs. 150/12 while Fagan Gold was quoted at Rs. 103/14/6

The market closed as under:— Fagan Silver Highest Rs. 151/12, Lowest Rs. 150/6. Fagan Gold Highest Rs. 104/7, Lowest Rs. 103/15. Closing quotation:—

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BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, February 7.

The cotton market was quiet today with little buying. The market has lost all hopes of any upward revision in ceiling prices and present prices being near the floor level. There is all possibility for a deadlock in the local market. The Government will have to buy cotton when it is quoted below floor prices. The Government will not buy any forward cotton and will buy only ready cotton of its own selection under special term of stocks being in pucca built godown. This goes to prove that mere raising of floor prices failed to solve the problem.

The market opened today at Rs. 439/- for March delivery and declined at Rs. 438/- but recovered at Rs. 438/8. If the deadlock developes May contract will also reach the floor level and there will be no forward business.

There was scattered buying and March improved at Rs. 439/8 but reacted at Rs. 439/-.

The market finally closed at 4-30 p.m. as under:—

I.C.C. March	440	6	0
I.C.C. May	449	6	0
I.C.C. July	459	8	0
I.C.C. Sept.	466	12	0

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, Feb. 6.

	Highest	Lowest	Closing
March	442-3/4	440-1/2	441-1/2
May	452	449-1/2	450
July	463-1/2	461	461
Sept.	472	468-3/4	468.3/4
Karachi 4F March	471/5/6	471/2/8	471/5/3

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton March Contract is 1545 cent points below New York March at Exchange rate 331

Produce Market

BOMBAY, Feb. 7.

The produce market was quiet today with increased selling pressure. Linseed prices declined on general liquidation Castorseeds May delivery opened at Rs 119/10 and declined at Rs 118/9 on general realising. Gujerat advices were easy with increased arrivals. Quotations were as under.

GROUNDNUTS:—

Khandesh Ready	Unquoted
Coromandal	Unquoted
Bold	Unquoted

LINSEEDS:—

Ready	26	12	0
February March	25	8	0
April May	25	8	0

CASTORSEEDS:—

Navlakhi Ready	26	0	0
Feb. March Navlakhi	25	4	0
Goa Ready	26	0	0
Bombay Ready	26	0	0
May Delivery	119	2	0

GROUNDNUTS OIL:—

Bombay Mills	12	14	0
Linseed Oil	21	0	0
Castorseed Oil	17	12	0

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Feb. 7.

Tata Ordinary 473 Tata Deferred 2610 Indian Iron 42 Steel Corpn. of Bengal 33/2 Bombay Dyeing 2800 Central India 390 Century 1105 Gokak 350 Kohinoor 866/14 Simplex 411/8 Andhra Valley 1640 Tata Hydro 185 Tata Power 1720 Associated Cement 213 Bel apur 299 Bombay Burma (Old) 590

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

BOMBAY, Feb. 7.

2 3/4 p.c. 1948/52	100-9
2 3/4 p.c. 1960	100-9
2 1/2 p.c. 1961	99-7
3 p.c. 1949/52	102-8
3 p.c. 1951/54	103-0
3 p.c. 1953/55	103-5
3 p.c. 1957 V. L.	102-7
3 p.c. 1959/61	102-7
4 p.c. B. P. T.	102-11
5 p.c. M. Deb.	122-0
6 p.c. B. P. T.	128-0
3 p.c. 1963/65	101-14
3 p.c. 1966/68	101-15
3 p.c. 1970/75	101-15
3 p.c. 1986 New	101-14
3 1/2 p.c. 1947/50	101-12
4 p.c 1960/70	114-6
4 p.c. 1983 Kar. Muni	114-0
4 1/2 p.c. 1955/60	117-8
4 p.c. M. Debenture	117-0
6 p.c. M. Debenture	128-0

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Feb. 7.

B. C. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 Ready.

B. C. Rates T. T. D D. 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Months.

London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 31/32 Ready

London Banks Selling T. T. D D. 1/5 15/16 up to 6 Months.

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/32 to 9th month

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/16 10th—12th month.

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 3/32 5th & 6th Month.

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/8 7th—9th Month

London Banks Buying 90 d/st. 1/6 5/32 to 4th month.

London Banks Buying 90 d/st. 1/6 3/16 5th & 6th Month.

London Banks Buying 90 d/st. 1/6 7/32 7th—9th Month.

NEW YORK AND MONTREAL RATES.

New York B. C. Rate T. T. Rs. 332 1/4

New York Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs 332 1/4.

New York Banks Buying T. T. Rs 330.

New York Banks Buying D. D. Rs. 329 Montreal Rs. 328 3/4 under L/C.

New York Banks Buying D. D. Rs. 328 3/4, Montreal Rs. 328 1/2 not under L/C.

Paris Banks Selling T. T. Fcs. 3550

Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs. 3550.

Amsterdam Banks Selling T. T D. D Fl 79.

Java Banks Selling T. T. D. D. ——

Hongkong Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 84

Singapore Banks Selling T T D. D Rs. 157 1/4.

New York/London Cross Rate dol. 4.02 11/16 to 4.02 13/16.

London/Hongkong Cross Rate 1/2 13/16-1/3 3/32.

London/Singapore Cross Rate 2/3 15/16-2/4 5/32.

London/Paris Cross Rate Fcs. 479.70-480.30.

London/Belgium Cross Rate Fcs. 176 1/3-3/4.

London/Switzerland Cross Rate Fcs 17.34-36.

London/Stockholm Cross Rate Kr. 14.47-50.

London/Denmark Cross Rate Kr. 19.32-36.

London/New York Cross Rate dol. 4.02 3/4 4.03 1/4.

London/Montreal Cross Rate dol. 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4.

London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl. 10.68-70.

London/Java Cross Rate Fl. 10.68-70

London/Bangkok Cross Rate Tcl. 40.

Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Dull.

Gold London £8-12-3.

Gold New York dol. 35.

Silver London 44.

Silver New York 70 3/4.

London Discts 3 Months 17/32. p c

London Discts. 6 Months 9/16-5/8 p c

Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent, Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.

Money:—Call 1/4 per cent. 3 Months 1/2 per cent 6 Months 3/4 per cent 12 Months 1 1/4 per cent.

Tone: Steady

INDORE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

INDORE, Feb. 6.

(People's Press Service): Today's closing quotations Indore Malwa 761; Prakamchand 961; Bhandari Mill 952; Vinod Mill 541; Kalyanmal 356; Kalyanmalpre 170; Rajkumar 252; Indore Bank 100.

INDIA BUYS 16 LOCOMOTIVES IN U. S.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (UPA). The Indian Government "in its largest postwar order yet has contracted to purchase 16 "Pacific Type" locomotives valued at 1,500,000 dollars from the Baldwin Locomotive Works in Pennsylvania, it was learned today. The contract calls for delivery of the first locomotive in six months and the final delivery within nine months.

The locomotives are of a type especially designed to distribute the locomotive weight over a larger engines on of wheels to enable bigger engines on light roadbed of Indian railways. Engineers said that the Indian Government has decided on the purchase of this type after observing the operation of U. S. locomotives which the Army took into Assam during the war.

LONDON PEPPER PRICES

LONDON, Feb. 6 (UPA). The following were closing prices of pepper, in the London market today:

White Muntock, January/February 2/7-1/2

Black Lampong, February/March 2/3 sellers.

Black Lampong, afloat 2/1-3/4 sellers.

NEW YORK SEEDS UNCHANGED

NEW YORK, Feb. 6 (UPA). Prices of seeds remained unchanged on the New York Market today.

In the black pepper futures market, futures were unchanged to 100 higher with no sales reported. Closing prices were:

March	51 asked.
May	42 bid.
July	37.50 nom.
September	35.75 nom.
October	33 asked.
December and January	32.50 nom.

POSITION OF SCHEDULED BANKS.

Statement of the position of Scheduled Banks as at the close of business on the 31st January:—

	Rs.
Demand Liabilities in India	721,43,81,000
Time Liabilities in India	341,18,53,000
Cash in India:	
(i) Currency Notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes	36,44,81,000
(ii) Rupee Coin	2,42,54,000
(iii) Subsidiary Coin	75,32,000
Balances with Reserve Bank	69,60,61,000
Advances in India	461,23,60,000
Bills discounted in India	23,62,65,000

WALL-STREET MARKET IRREGULAR

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.

Stocks lost upto two points in modest trading before stiffening tendencies reduced or erased numerous losses. The best support was for leading aviations, rails, motors, tools, steels, wetstocks, department stores and rubbers with the last reflecting the U. S. rubber company quarterly dividend increase to one dollar. Averages were industrials 181.66 and rails 51.93 Fairly good interest and higher prices for assorted rails, rail equipments and utilities featured on otherwise quiet market still gripped by a technical correction. An irregular course was followed throughout the afternoon with changes mixed upto one point or more and losses barely predominating. Analysts view the immediate trend as continuing upward and say that the current pause of internal adjustment is very constructive. Some gratifying earnings statements seem certain for this quarter, particularly in heavy industry, and it is doubtful whether these have been adequately discounted. Most oils, Mirrings, chemicals, motors, farm implements and steels were unable to make headway against profit taking in late dealings while the supported issues retained the better part of earlier gains. The market closed irregular.

American Telephone and Telegraph	172-1/4
Amerex Holding Co.	34
Anaconda Copper Mining	40-3/4
Chase National Bank	37-1/2
Sinclair Oil	15-3/4
Firestone Tyre Co.	58-3/4
General Electric Co.	38-3/4
General Motors	62-7/8
Ingersol Rand	128
International Nickel	36
National City Bank of New York	41-1/2
New York Central Rail Road Co.	20-3/4
Socony Vacuum Corporation	14-7/8
Texas Corporation	59-1/8
Union Carbon and Carbide	95-1/4
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co.	46
U. S. Steel Corporation Common	76
Western Union Telegraph	21-1/2

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET QUIETLY STEADY

INCREASED PROFIT TAKING MEETS MILL SUPPORT

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.

Cotton opened barely steady 5 to 17 lower, further declining on reactionary selling on technical considerations and increased profit taking which found the market temporarily unsupported by mills. Apart from the possibility of an impaired technical condition and the easier trend of the stock exchange there was nothing in the news actually to worry the market but it continued indifferent until towards noon when the subsidence of pressure and revival of trade support brought a mild rally with bullish statistical and textile features again attracting attention. The rally sharply increased on price fixing in nearmonths believed to be partially in connexion with British purchases of raw cotton. This stimulated covering while contracts were distinctly scarcer but interest was again chiefly in nearmonths. New crops rallied to some extent but still lagged. The strength of the grain markets helped sentiment but profit taking eventually pared the upswing. The session closed steady, one higher to 20 lower. Sales were estimated at 225,000.

DROP IN PLATINUM PRICE

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (APA). The steady decline in the price of silver and the fall in the price of platinum have recently been outstanding features in the United States metal market, where prices of basic industrial metals have held steady or risen.

The price of platinum fell dol. 9 in a single day in New York last month, to dol. 56 per troy ounce to consumers. Some transactions were for as little as dol. 50. This compares with the price of dol. 93 per ounce which followed the removal of the controlled price of dol. 35.

Dealers said large offerings of platinum from Russia had been responsible for the decline in prices. The Russians deny having sold directly in New York, but imply that large sales have been made in London for resale in America, according to a report in the "Journal of Commerce."

SWISS NATIONAL BANK PROFESSES SCEPTICISM

ZURICH, Feb. 6 (UPA). The Swiss National Bank today told the United Press of America that it was sceptical regarding London rumours that Switzerland was buying silver in the New York market. The "National Bank certainly is not buying and while private interests are technically free to buy silver there, such silver must be paid for in dollars which for Switzerland would make American silver very expensive," the Bank said. The Bank was inclined to think that London was mistaken.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.

March	32.51+01
March Highest	32.68+18
March Lowest	32.23—27
May	31.58+01
July	29.60—
October	26.95—11
December	26.27—77
January	26.02—11
Middling Spot	33.16+01

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.

March	32.62+12
May	31.61+05
July	29.60+07
October	26.89—17
December	26.21—20
Middling Spot	32.45+05

CHICAGO WHEAT

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.

March	2.19-1/2
May	2 03-7/8 to 2.04
July	1.87-3/4 to 1.87-1/8
September	1.82-3/4

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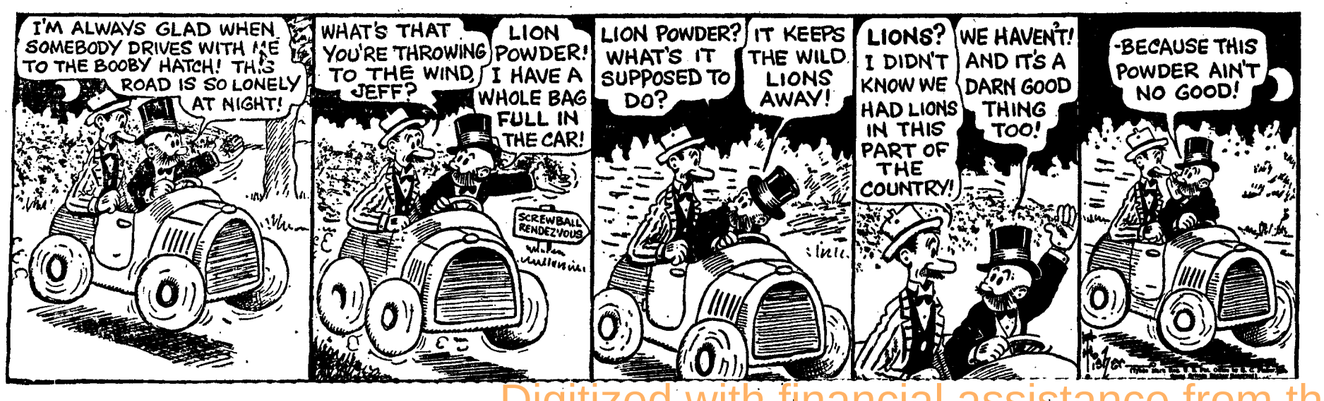
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HABIB BANK LIMITED
BOMBAY

NOTICE

THE FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Bank will be held in the premises of the Fort Branch of the Bank in Kermani Building, First Floor, Sir Phirozeshah Mehta Road, Bombay, on SATURDAY, the 1st March, 1947, at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Report of the Directors and the Audited Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1946 and declare a dividend.
2. To confirm the minutes of the Fourth Ordinary General Meeting held on 13th March 1946.
3. To elect two Directors in place of Mr. Dawood Ebrahim Parekh and Mr. Mahomedali Habib who retire under Article 95 and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.
4. To appoint Auditors for the year 1947 and fix their remuneration.
5. To do such other work as may be placed before the Meeting with the permission of the Chairman

By Order of the Board.
D. A BIJOOR,
Secretary.

Bombay, 1st February, 1947.

—The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Bank will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 12th February, 1947 to SATURDAY 1st March, 1947, both days inclusive. Dividend when declared will be paid to those Shareholders whose names stand in the Registers of the Bank on 11th February, 1947. The Shareholders are requested to communicate to the Bank immediately any change in their addresses.

From
THE MARKAZI CO-OPERATIVE STORES, LTD.
NOTICE

THE NOTICE HEREBY GIVEN that the FOURTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of The "Markazi" Co-operative Stores Ltd., will be held on SUNDAY, the 23rd February 1947 at 4 P.M. (S.T.) at the stores Kamalkhan's Chawl, Memonwada Bombay 9.

For Markazi Co-op Stores Ltd.
H. H HABIB.
Secretary
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NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from persons with "approved war service" and also outsiders who are natives of the Province of Bombay. for appointment to the temporary post of "Master Potter" in the scale of Rs. 50/4/90 for the Government Pottery Demonstration at Khanapur. Candidates should be conversant with pottery work especially throwing of different shapes of potteryware on potter's wheel and in firing the thrown wares by modern methods. They should have adequate practical experience in this line in the manufacture of unglazed and glazed wares. Age should not exceed 30 years. He should preferably be able to read, write and speak atleast two of the regional languages of the Province.

Applications giving details of caste, age, place of birth, domicile and experience together with copies of testimonials, etc., which will not be returned, should reach the Joint Registrar for Industrial Co-operatives and Village Industries, 18, Queens Gardens, Poona, on or before 28th Feb. 1947. No intimation will be sent to unsuccessful candidates.

(Sd.) D. A. SHAH,
Joint Registrar,
Industrial Co-operatives
& Village Industries,
Poona.
(1738)

NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from the persons with "approved war service" and also outsiders who are the natives of the Province of Bombay for appointment to the temporary post of "Lacquerwork Demonstrator" in the scale of Rs. 50/2/80, for the Lacquerwork Demonstration. Candidates should have atleast 5 years' practical experience in the art of lacquerwork design and manufacture. They should preferably be conversant with two of the regional languages of this Province and must be able to read, and write and keep accounts. Age should not exceed 30 years.

Applications giving details of caste, age, place of birth, domicile and experience together with copies of testimonials, etc. which will not be returned, should reach the Joint Registrar for Industrial Cooperatives and Village Industries, 18, Queens Gardens, Poona, on or before 28th Feb. 1947. No intimation will be sent to unsuccessful candidates.

D. A. SHAH,
JOINT REGISTRAR,
Industrial Cooperatives
& Village Industries,
Poona.
(1739)

MACHINERIES FOR SALE

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SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for one permanent post of Chief Engineer, Dhanushkodi—Talaimannar Ferry Service.

1. QUALIFICATIONS: First Class B.O.T. (Steam) or First Class Colonial Engineer's Certificate.
2. PAY: Rs. 600-25-750 plus Dearness Allowance at 17 1/2 p.c. of basic pay (Messing Allowance is included in basic pay).
3. Selected candidates will be considered for confirmation at the end of two years' service, when he will be eligible to contribute to Provident Fund; other conditions regarding free passes, leave etc., similar to Railway employees.
4. Applications should reach the Marine Superintendent, SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY, MANDAPAM. on or before 28th February, 1947.

(1845)

NOTICE

Mr. JEHANGIR HORMUSJI MISTRY, the son of our client M. HORMUSJI A. DHANJIBHAI has LOST or MISPLACED 4 or 5 blank Cheque forms of the Habib Bank, Ltd., Zaveri Bazar Branch, signed by our client.

All persons are warned against dealing with the same in any manner whatever as the Bank has already been informed of such loss and our client's account in the bank has been closed.

Dated this 8th day of February, 1947.

MINOCHEHER MANCHERSHAH HIRALAL & CO.,
Attorneys for Mr. Hormusji A. Dhanjibhai.
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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.
STORES DEPARTMENT.

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES, Bombay Municipality, invites offers for the purchase of following:—

(1) About 6 tons of brass and gunmetal scrap.
(2) About 3600 empty kerosene oil tins.
(3) About 317 empty oil and grease barrels.

The offers should be addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the Office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, not later than 1 P.M. (B.T.) on Friday, the 21st February 1947, together with an earnest deposit of Rs. 300/- which will be liable to be forfeited, if the successful offerer fails to remove the materials after an intimation regarding the acceptance of his offer is sent to him.

The offerer will have to pay the Sales Tax.

Office of the Controller of Stores, Bombay Municipality, 566, DeLisle Road, Bombay No. 11.

Dated, 7th February, 1947.
(1865)

THE INDIAN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in pursuance of Rules 13 to 15 of the Insurance Rules, 1939, read with Section 48 of the Insurance Act, 1938, a Meeting of the Policyholders of the Company will be held at the registered office of the Company, "Ilaco House", Victoria Road, Karachi, on Saturday the 17th day of May, 1947, at 4-30 p.m., for the purpose of electing the two Policyholders' Directors of the Company.

Every Policyholder who desires to attend the Meeting must apply to the Company for a Certificate of Admission, such application to reach the Company not later than 17th March 1947, and the Company applicant holds a policy of life insurance issued by the Company not less than six months before 17th May, 1947, will issue a Certificate not later than 17th April 1947. Such Certificate will, if applied for by post, be sent only to the address of the Policyholder, or if applied for in person, be delivered only on production of the relevant policy. A Certificate of Admission shall not be transferable, and no person other than those whose presence is, in the opinion of the Chairman, necessary for the conduct of the Meeting shall be admitted to the Meeting unless he produces the Certificate of Admission granted to him by the Company as aforesaid.

A person is eligible for election as a Policyholders' Director of the Company if he holds otherwise than as an assignee one or more policies of life insurance issued by the Company and satisfying both the following requirements, namely:—

(a) the policies shall insure a total sum, including any bonuses that may have attached to them before the date of election, of not less than Rs. 3,000; and
(b) the policies held in compliance with clause (a) shall have been in force for not less than three years.

Provided that the assignment of the policies to the person who took out the policies shall not disqualify that person for being eligible for election as a Policyholders' Director.

Applications are invited from eligible persons prepared to accept office as Policyholders' Directors. Such applications must be sent by registered post to the Head Office of the Company, "Ilaco House" Victoria Road, Sadar, Karachi 3, so as to reach it not later than 17th March, 1947, and must be made in the English language or in a principal language of the Province of Sind, and must give the applicant's name and address and the numbers of and amounts of the sums insured by the policies by virtue of which he claims to be eligible for election.

By Order of the Board.
A. R. D'ABREO.
Secretary.

Karachi, 29th January, 1947.
(1871)

PUBLIC NOTICES

I.M.M.T.S. "DUFFERIN"

SEALED TENDERS are invited for supplies from 1st April, 1947, to 31st March, 1948, of the following:

(A) Dry Provisions
(B) Fresh Provisions
(C) Fresh Milk
(D) Bread
(E) Stationery
(F) Cadets' Uniform
(G) Boots and Shoes.

The details of contract and approximate annual requirements will be given in the Duplicated Tender Form, which must be applied for prior to noon on the 24th February, 1947. Each item has a separate tender form and Re. 1 must be remitted by Money Order for each form.

Requests for tender forms must be addressed by post to the undersigned by designation (AND NOT BY NAME) at Mazagaon Pier, Bombay 10. No intimation will be sent to unsuccessful tenderers. The Captain Superintendent does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT,
I.M.M.T.S. "Dufferin".
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4808

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.
CONSTRUCTION OF TRANSIT SHEDS 'B', 'C' & 'D' IN THE PRINCE'S DOCK.

SEALED TENDERS are required for the construction of the undernoted two storeyed Transit Sheds in the Prince's Dock:—

SHED 'B'—400 ft. x 120 ft. x 32 ft. from the ground floor to the underside of the roof tie beam.

SHEDS 'C' & 'D'—Each 350 ft. x 120 ft. x 32 ft. from the ground floor to the underside of the roof tie beam.

Each shed will consist of ground and upper floors and is designed as a steel-framed structure enclosed with pre-cast concrete blocks. The upper floor will be constructed of R.C.C. slab on steel beams and joists. The roofing will comprise asbestos cement sheets supported on steel trusses and purlins. The foundation is designed for R.C.C. piles, capping, and plinth beams.

Instructions to Tenderers, Conditions of Contract, Specification, Schedule of Quantities and Rates, Form of Tender and Drawings can be obtained at the Office of the undersigned, on payment of Rs. 30|-. No tender will be considered which is not accompanied by the sum of Rs. 19,000|- as earnest money. The tenders, which are to remain open until disposed of by the Trustees, will be received upto 1-00 p. m. (S. T.) on Monday, the 24th March 1947.

F. M. SURVEYOR,
Chief Engineer,
Bombay Port Trust.
Ballard Road, Fort, Bombay.
(1851)

B. B. & C. I. RLY.—TENDER.

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES, B. B. & C. I. Railway, Jacob Circle, Bombay No. 11, invites tenders returnable on Monday, the 17th February, 1947, for reconditioning of non-ferrous scrap. For tenders apply to the above Officer. 1864

G. I. P. RAILWAY
MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT

WANTED CANDIDATES to fill a post of temporary Assistant Electrical Draftsman for the Chief Electrical Engineer's Office, Parel. Pay Rs. 100 p.m. (fixed). CANDIDATES should possess a diploma in electrical engineering of a recognised technical institute and experience in the preparation of layouts, drawings and wiring diagrams of outdoor and indoor lighting and industrial motive power installations. Age between 18 and 25 years on 1-2-1947. CANDIDATES must be physically fit generally and have the following sight standards: (a) Distant vision as tested with Landolt's split rings must not be less than 6/9 in either eye with or without glasses. (b) Near vision; Snellon 0.6 in either eye with or without glasses. FULL PARTICULARS and form of application obtainable from the Chief Mechanical Engineer, G. I. P. Railway, Parel. Bombay No. 12 on payment of Re. 1 by Money Order (stamps or postal orders will not be accepted). Full name and address of the applicant should be entered in block capital letters on the Money Order Coupon. Last date of receipt of Money Orders is 20-2-47. Candidates called for an interview should attend entirely at their own expense. A call to attend interview will not imply offer of definite employment. Candidates from the Scheduled Classes and those belonging to Muslim, Anglo-Indian, Domiciled European, and Indian Christian Communities, who attain the qualifying standard may be shown some preference. 1852

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the following posts to be filled in the Bacteriological Laboratory at the Bombay Veterinary College The applications stating age, qualifications, caste, experience, domicile etc., should reach the undersigned before 12-2-1947.

1. ARTIST: Scale of pay Rs. 100-5-150 plus Rs. 10 Temporary additional pay. Qualifications: Diploma in Arts and thorough knowledge of Photography.
   STOREKEEPER: Scale of pay Rs. 60-5|2-75 plus Rs. 10 Temporary additional pay. Qualifications: Matriculation examination.
   CLERK: Scale of pay Rs 25-5|2-55 (initial pay Rs 30|-) plus Rs. 5|- Temporary additional pay. Qualifications: Matriculation examination.
4. LABORATORY ASSISTNTS: Scale of pay Rs. 50-5|2-90 plus temporary additional pay Rs. 10|-. Qualifications. Matriculation examination.

All the above posts carry dearness allowance as sanctioned by Government from time to time.

Posts of Storekeeper and Clerk carry Bombay Local allowance admissible under the rules.

Candidates already serving in the Department are eligible to apply for the above posts.

S. R. CHADHA,
B.Sc., M.R.C.V.S.,
Principal.
Bombay Veterinary College.
Parel, Bombay,
5th February, 1947.
(1867)

WANTED IMMEDIATELY.

ONE DRIVER MECHANIC on Rs. 200|- per month fixed pay to take full charge of a Motor Lorry, preferably with knowledge of roads in Central and Northern India and ONE DRIVER-CUM-CLEANER on Rs. 150|- per month fixed pay.

Applicants must have a current licence to drive any type of vehicle and have had experience of lorry driving and maintenance over long journeys.

Applicants should call personally or apply in writing giving full particulars of qualifications, etc. to:

THE SUPERINTENDENT, ENGINEER, Government of India Deep-Sea Fishing Scheme, C|o Director of fisheries, Old Custom House, Bombay. (1857)

NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that Consulate General for the Republic of Lebanon has been established in Bombay by a Presidential Decree and that Mr. Tarek El-Yafi has assumed charge of the office as Consul General for Lebanon as from the 28th December, 1946.

TAREK EL-YAFI.
Consul General for Lebanon.
"Churchgate House,"
Churchgate Street, Bombay.
(1866)

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for inclusion in the waiting list (and for immediate recruitment in the Division of Statistics) for the following posts in the Department of Research & Statistics, Reserve Bank of India, Bombay:—

(i) Clerks Grade II: Grade Rs. 75-5-100-EB-5-125-EB-5-150.
(ii) Clerks Grade I: Grade Rs. 100-7½-175-EB-10-225.
(iii) Economic/Statistical Assistants: Grade Rs. 150-10-250-EB-15-400.

In addition to the above grades employees are entitled to dearness allowance and local allowance at rates prescribed by the Bank from time to time; the present rates are 20% of salary (subject to a minimum of Rs. 30/-) and 10% of salary (subject to a minimum of Rs. 10/-) per mensem respectively. A higher starting salary may be given to candidates having exceptional qualifications or experience. Applicants should specify the post or posts for which alone their candidature need be considered.

Applicants should be of sound physique and between the ages of 18 and 22. In the case of graduates the age limit may be extended to 25 years.

Applications in the candidate's own handwriting should be accompanied by copies of at least two testimonials and should be submitted to the Director-in-Charge, Department of Research and Statistics, Reserve Bank of India, Post Bag No. 1036, Mint Road, Bombay, on or before 1st March, 1947. Applications must contain the following information: name in full; address; age and date of birth; place of birth; religion and caste; father's name, father's occupation; schools, colleges and universities attended; examinations passed with subjects, distinctions and class obtained; previous experience, if any, in research and office work; knowledge of shorthand, typewriting, etc.

Matriculates are eligible for posts (i) and (ii). Specialised qualification in Economics, Commerce, Statistics or Mathematics is essential in the case of candidates for posts (iii). Other things being equal preference will be given to candidates belonging to minority communities.

Applications will not be acknowledged unless a fully stamped and addressed envelope is enclosed Apart from those who may be specially called, interviews will not be granted to candidates; nor will the Bank enter into correspondence with them.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

SHERIFF'S NOTICE RE: WOMEN JURORS

EVERY WOMAN between the ages of 25 and 60, who is a British Subject or a Subject of the United States of America and is resident within Greater Bombay, and who is a Graduate of a recognised University (where the medium of instruction is English), or is able to understand and speak the English Language and is in receipt of an income of rupees one hundred and fifty a month or upwards, or is the wife, or (if unmarried), the daughter of a person who is in receipt of an income of rupees one hundred and fifty a month or upwards is qualified to apply to serve as a juror.

Women qualified as above and desiring to serve as Jurors should apply in writing to the Sheriff of Bombay, High Court, before the 15th March, 1947 giving the following particulars:—

(1) Name in full (Block Letters, surname first), (2) Age, (3) Nationality, (4) Residence, (5) Educational qualifications, (6) Income of applicant/husband/father. (7) Religion, (8) Occupation.

MITHAN J. LAM,
Sheriff of Bombay.
Sheriff's Office,
High Court, Bombay,
7th February, 1947.
1870

NOTICE.

OFFERS ARE INVITED by the Trustees of the M. F. Cama Athornan Institute and M. M. Cama Education Fund for the purchase of an immovable property situate at Pedder Road consisting of Pension and Tax land redeemed from payment of cess admeasuring 3,753 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 749 of Malabar and Cumballa Hill Division and a pucca built bungalow of ground floor and two upper floors with outhouses assessed under D Ward No. 3467 and Street No. 19 and known as Cama Lodge.

Offers should be sent under sealed covers so as to reach the said Trustees at Cama Building, 22-26 Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, not later than the 15th day of March, 1947.

The Trustees do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any other offer. Particulars and conditions of Sale can be had from the Office of the undersigned at Darya Mahal, 375, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay on payment of Rs. 2 per copy.

Dated at Bombay, the 17th day of January, 1947.

SHROFF & CO.,
Attorneys for the Trustees of the M. F. Cama Athornan Institution and M. M. Cama Education Fund.
(1594)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that RAO BAHADUR PANDURANG ANANDRAO MANKAR and HARISCHANDRA KHANDERAO KOTHARE, the Proving Executors of the last Will and Testament of Bai RAMEDBAI VINAYAKRAO AJINKYA have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that the Original Conveyance, dated the 4th day of August, 1899, from Govind Moru and Ramabai, widow of Keshav Moru to Narandas Dhanji in respect of the undermentioned property has been LOST or MISPLACED, that despite due and deligent search the Vendors have not been able to trace the same. Any person having found the same or being in possession thereof or knowing where it is to be found is requested to communicate with the undersigned at their address mentioned below within 14 days from the date hereof.

All persons having any right or claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, equitable, security, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, lispendens, possession, trust, maintenance, residence, easement, bequest, or otherwise howsoever are also hereby requested to make the same known to the undersigned at their Office at Medows House, 39, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of pension or tax land or ground now redeemed with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, situate at Portuguese Church Road at Dadar near Mahim in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 262 Sq. Yds. and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 30, New No. B/3525, Old Survey No. 377, New Survey No. 2/1462, Cadastral Survey No. 1504 of Lower Parel Division and in the books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under G Ward No. 3203 (7) and 3203 (10) and Street Nos 73 and 667 1 and bounded as follows that is to say, on or towards the East by the property of Mahadeo Shmarak, on or towards the West by the property of Shivji Bharmal and Ors., on or towards the North by Portuguese Church Street and on or towards the South by the Oart belonging to F. Murzello.

Dated this 8th day of Feb. 1947.

KOTHARE & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
(1856)

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